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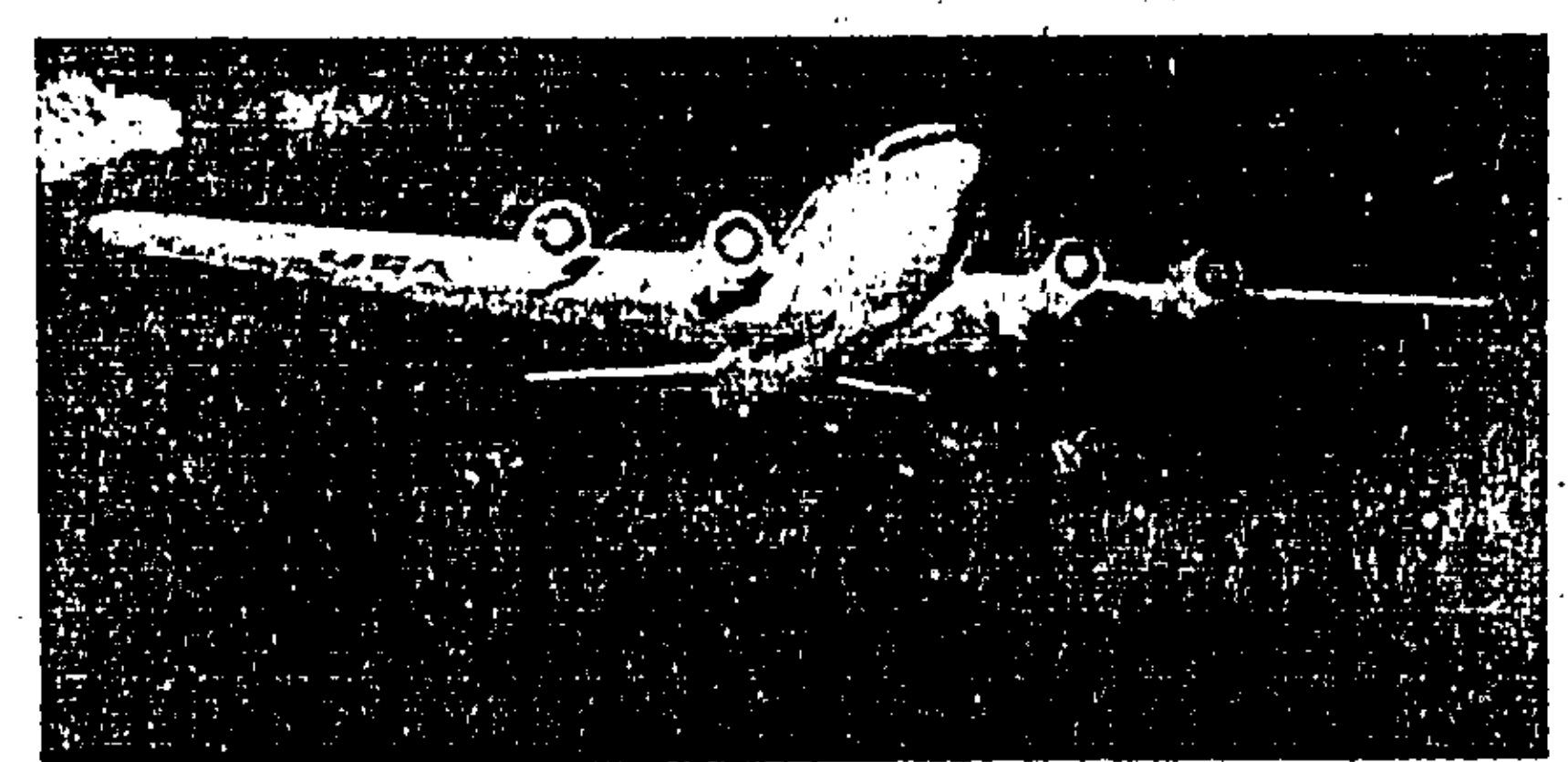
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THE BOEING CLIPPER

HONGKONG WILL GET its first glimpse of Pan American Airways' giant 72-passenger Boeing Clippers early in February, according to information released this morning.

Government tests of the new machine have been completed and the first experimental flight across the Pacific, from San Francisco to Hongkong, is scheduled for eight weeks' time.

The first flight will not be made in a commercial capacity, and no mails, freight or passengers will be carried.

The 41½-ton flying hotel, which is now at San Francisco, will fly non-stop to Washington next week for its dedication ceremony, possibly by President Roosevelt himself.

It is believed that the plane may be christened "Cathay Clipper."

Another two machines of the same type are now ready for commercial tests. These two machines are definitely scheduled for use on the trans-Pacific route and as soon as they are ready for service, probably in March, the first Boeing which is to make the experimental flights in February will be withdrawn for experimental flights across the Atlantic.

SIX GIANTS ORDERED

Pan American Airways has ordered six of these giant Clippers, two for the trans-Pacific service to Hongkong, two for the proposed trans-Atlantic service and two for a projected service between Honolulu and New Zealand.

It is understood that the projected service to the Antipodes will, like the trans-Atlantic service, be operated jointly by Pan American Airways and Imperial Airways. Negotiations have already commenced for a franchise to operate the joint service to Australia instead of New Zealand.

Big Increase In Smuggling

Shanghai, Dec. 18.

Authoritative circles here reveal a great increase of opium smuggling into Shanghai during the first half of December.

It is declared that between 50 and 200 pounds of opium are imported daily, while formerly 20 pounds was regarded as an extremely high figure. During November Police confiscated 800 pounds of opium, and arrested 100 people mostly farmers coming from the interior with small quantities, while a search of incoming ships resulted in several large hauls.

Arrests during the first half of December have exceeded the number of apprehensions during November, while captures of opium have amounted to 800 pounds.

The number of preventive officers of the Customs, authorities, and French Consulate and the International Settlement police has been increased, and a minimum of two smuggling cases are heard daily in the Chinese courts.—Trans-Ocean.

Arab Loyalty to King: Remarkable Display

JERUSALEM, Dec. 18.

A COLOURFUL AND IMPRESSIVE spectacle was provided when 3,000 Arab villagers demonstrated their loyalty to the King and Britain on the hillside village of Yatta, south of Hebron.

Mussolini Dedicates New Town

Rome, Dec. 18.

Signor Mussolini left Port Gela on board the cruiser Bolzano on Saturday evening for Sardinia, where he will perform the ceremony of dedicating the new "mining town" of Carbonia.

Among those accompanying the Duce was the Secretary of the Fascist Party, Signor Starace, the Minister of Education, Signor Alfieri, and the Minister of Corporations, Signor Lantini.

In an address delivered by the Duce to-day at the formal inauguration of the town of Carbonia, which has been built for miners employed in the coal mines of Sardinia, the Italian dictator failed to make any reference to the acute foreign political problems such as the Italian claims on France.

Mussolini merely spoke of the economic problems of Italy, and of the creative and organising genius which the new Italy displayed in the solution of her difficult problems. Political quarters here declare that it is by no means surprising that the Duce made no reference to foreign affairs, since Italy has not yet given formal, or diplomatic notice of Italian claims on which world interest has been focussed for some weeks.

It is pointed out that official notice of Italy's claims at the present moment would merely be a grievance to the mill of Italy's enemies, and would only make more difficult the mission of Mr. Neville Chamberlain, who is visiting Rome in January.—Trans-Ocean.

OFFICIALS ACCOMPANY IT DUCE

Accompanied by an important retinue of Ministers and high officials, Signor Mussolini visited Sardinia and inaugurated the new coal-mining town christened Carbonia, to-day.

The "Coal city," has been built on modern lines.

During a brief speech, in which he made no reference to foreign affairs, Signor Mussolini declared that a new centre had arisen where previously malaria reigned. He claimed that the town would soon double its population, which at present is 12,000.—Reuter.

Burma Takes Firm Anti-Riot Stand

Rangoon, Dec. 18.

In order to meet the threatened civil disobedience campaign, the Government has issued a communique announcing its decision to take "all necessary measures effectively to check the present campaign of civil disobedience and general lawlessness."—Reuter.

SWISS WARNED

BERLIN, Dec. 18.

A WARNING to Switzerland, that if she wants to be regarded as a neutral Power, she must cease agitation and propaganda against Germany, is contained in the "Völkischer Beobachter", which says:

"Shameless agitation has been going on for years against the internal policy of Germany, and it has reached intolerable proportions since the taking over of Austria and the Sudetenland."

"Switzerland must be told in a decided manner that it isn't the least bit like neutrality when all the pro-German elements in the country are persecuted and proscribed, while the worst agitators against the Reich, continue to function with impunity."—Reuter.

Mother and Father Die In Kowloon

Swift Tragedy Comes To Local Family

SWIFT TRAGEDY has robbed a well-known Hongkong family of two sisters and three brothers of both their parents within twenty-four hours.

Following the death in Kowloon Hospital yesterday morning of Mr. James S. White, former chief engineer of the steamer Fook On, Mrs. White, his wife, passed away suddenly at the same hospital early this morning. Mrs. White died of shock.

She was visiting the hospital yesterday when her husband died. She collapsed, and her condition became so serious that she also was admitted as a patient.

Her strength did not rally and, almost 24 hours to the minute after the death of her husband, she passed away.

The death of Mr. White yesterday morning was totally unexpected to the family. He was admitted to Kowloon Hospital only three days ago, and his condition on Saturday night did not appear to be serious. The husband and wife are survived by three sons and two daughters, Mr. W. J. White, Mrs. M. Berreux, Mr. George White, Miss Gertrude White and Mr. V. H. White.

Mr. White was 63 years of age and Mrs. White 57 years of age. The couple have resided in Hongkong for many years, and were married in this Colony.

The funeral services will be held at the Colonial Cemetery, Cantonment Road, at 3.15 p.m. to-day, and the well-known couple will be buried side by side.

Students Take Health Pledge

Austin, Tex.

Forty members of the Latin-American Club of the University of Texas have joined in a pledge to undergo adequate medical tests before marriage. Dr. R. F. Voyer, general director of the Texas Social Hygiene Association, called the pledge the first of its kind in the United States.

AUSTRALIANS MET HERE TO FORMULATE DEFENCE PLANS



AUSTRALIA'S FEDERAL PARLIAMENT House at Canberra, where a new £60,000,000 Defence scheme has just been announced.

Stalemate In War In China Still Continues

SHANGHAI, Dec. 18.

JUDGING BY THE LATEST REPORTS received here to-day, the situation on the various fronts remains virtually unchanged.

Japanese forces are mostly holding the same positions which they held several weeks ago. It is believed, however, the Japanese High Command is expediting preparations for a new offensive in north-western China, with Sian, capital of Shensi, probably as the first main objective.

The Japanese forces in Central and South China are apparently not making special efforts to advance, and are concentrating their endeavours on cleaning up areas already occupied, while a considerable number of Chinese irregulars have been extremely active of late, harassing the Japanese by frequent raids.

In view of the vast extent of the territories nominally held by the Japanese, the presence of the guerrillas is making the task of the Japanese all the more difficult.

Furthermore, it is impossible for the Japanese to isolate these territories from the Chinese main forces, and as a result of their contact with the main forces, the Chinese irregulars are constantly receiving arms, ammunition, and men from these sources.—Trans-Ocean.

Girl Of 13 Stabbed In Street

ELEANOR Brady, aged 13, of Fairview, Cleethorpes (Lincs), was stabbed by an unknown man after she had alighted from a bus.

She was walking towards her home when a man ran up behind her, and she left a push in the back. The man ran away.

"I did not see his face, as his cap was pulled over his eyes. I think he was wearing a navy blue coat."

The girl did not realise that she had been stabbed until she reached home, when her brother saw blood on her coat.

A doctor found a wound one and three-quarter inches long and half an inch deep. He expressed the opinion that if the girl had not had her hands in her jacket pocket the weapon would have penetrated her lung.

Drouth Hits Kansas

Topeka, Kas.

S. D. Flora, federal meteorologist, has announced a new all-time record for fall drouths had been established in this part of Kansas. The only part of the state in which there has been a normal amount of rainfall is southwestern Kansas, which in years past had been included in the "dust bowl."

Germany Turns Attention To Ukraine

LONDON, Dec. 18.

A DEFINITE MOVEMENT is to be launched soon for the inauguration of an independent Ukrainian state, including Ruthenia and extensive regions in Poland, Russia and Rumania, states the Berlin correspondent of the "Sunday Times."

A confidential Ukrainian bureau has been opened in Berlin by Dr. Nikola Suschko, believed to be a former officer of the Ukrainian army, and all "state-less Ukrainians" have been asked to register.

The Warsaw correspondent of the "Sunday Times" declares that Polish political circles are astonished at the haste of the Nazi authorities in organising 40,000 Ukrainians, resident in Germany.

Dr. Rosenberg, Hitler's chief lieutenant for Ukrainian affairs, has created a special Ukrainian department to co-operate with the bureau in Germany for the organisation of military training in special schools. One of these, for officers, has already been opened in Danzig. Poland has sent a sharp protest to Prague against anti-Polish Ukrainian propaganda in Czechoslovakia.—Reuter.

Japanese Abandon East River

WUCHOW, Dec. 19.

LATEST MILITARY despatches from the front state that the Japanese forces have practically completely abandoned the East River front and, in retreating, suffered large numbers of casualties and loss of ammunition to the advancing Chinese.

Following the recapture of Tamshui and Pingshan, the reports say, Chinese forces have now reached Aolow, the tiny village on the sandy beach of the Blas Bay where the Japanese first made their landing on October 12.

Cheungning, Foklin, Suntsokong, Ngankong, Hucheng and Leungfayun, all strategic points in the East River area, were successively retaken by the Chinese yesterday. Describing the Chinese success, a despatch from Shikwan states that over 1,000 Japanese were killed and wounded and a quantity of military supplies seized.

Japanese forces, the despatch says, are steadily shortening their line with the main army concentrated at Canton. Feverish preparations are made to strengthen the defence of the city and its immediate vicinity.

Another report states that Chinese guerrillas on the outskirts of Canton have reached Kongsun, ten miles north of Canton on the Canton-Hankow Railway.

On the West River, Japanese forces have been increased to over 3,000 men at Samshui, Hotow, and Sainam on the Canton-Samshui Railway. Aside from erecting defence works, little activities are noticed.

A report from Szewui states that several hundred Japanese made a cautious advance from Yeungmang and Keetong northward along the highway to threaten points on the North River on December 17, but were checked by Chinese vigilance.—Central News.

Drivers Have Bad Day

Toronto, Ont.

A new record in the number of summonses issued to automobile drivers in one day in Toronto was set here when 920 operators received tickets. More than 60 per cent. of these summonses kept the magistrates' court clerks busy by pleading guilty and paying fines.

LATEST

No English Mail Until To-morrow

The Imperial Airways plane Delphinus is expected to take at 5 p.m. to-day with Australian mails. The United Kingdom mail has been delayed another day and will not reach Hongkong until to-morrow at 5 p.m. The planes Della and Dardanus will bring the Home mail. The last mail from England arrived in Hongkong on Thursday, and the mail coming to-morrow is three days behind schedule. Though only barest information has reached Hongkong, it is possible that there might be a small quantity of Home mail with the Australian load on the Delphinus. However, the main mail will come to-morrow.

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WOMAN OF 70 STRUGGLED WITH ARMED BURGLAR

'He Was a Good Boy' Verdict on Man Her Son Shot

"She is an old lady of 70, but it was a test many of us would not like to be put to," commented the coroner at a Birmingham inquest recently referring to "the very brave act" of a woman who struggled with an intruder and sat on him while her son went for help.

"Justifiable homicide" was the verdict on William George Hart (36), of Effinch Lane, Barton-under-Needwood, near Burton-on-Trent, who died from tetanus after being remanded on a charge of house-breaking.

He was shot in the leg during a struggle, when surprised by Mrs. Harriet Winnill and her son Jack at their house at Croxall.

They had heard footsteps upstairs on returning home, and found a bedroom ransacked. Mr. Jack Winnill fetched a gun he had bought the night before; Mrs. Winnill armed herself with a torchlight and walking stick.

"We did not know how many were up there," Mrs. Winnill told the coroner. "There might have been one, two, three or four."

'MOVE AND I SHOOT'

"My son then entered the door of my room. I could see a man crouching in the far corner in front of a chest of drawers. He had a cycle lamp."

"My son said, 'Move and I will shoot,' she added. 'The man turned round and my son said, 'Why, it's Billy Hart. What are you doing here?' He mumbled something and then crouched down with his back towards us."

"I thought he was going to pick up a firearm and advanced towards him with my stick. I thought if he were going to fire I would either knock it out of his hand or take the bullet myself. Instead he put the light out and picked up a bag."

"I, she said, struck her three or four times on the top of her head and back, and she broke her walking stick on him."

'HELL DO US BOTH IN'

He caught her by the throat and threw her on the bed, and she saw her son being struck with the poker. "There was blood streaming down my son's face, and I shouted, 'Shoot, Jack, or he'll do us both in.'"

"Then I heard the shot. When I got myself together I found them still struggling at the top of the stairs, and he still held the poker and was trying to push Jack backwards downstairs."

"I went to help, and between us we pushed Hart down on the landing."

Mrs. Winnill said that her son went for help at the door, and she saw him being struck with the poker. "There was blood streaming down my son's face, and I shouted, 'Shoot, Jack, or he'll do us both in.'"

"I told him, 'You naughty lad—you didn't study your mother or me when you came here. Then I saw how badly he was bleeding, and made a tablecloth into a tourniquet, which I tied above the wound.'"

AIMED LOW

The son said that he "held the gun low to hit his legs if possible. It was the one way of stopping him."

Sitting by the fire in her home Mrs. Winnill said: "Poor Hart. He was a good boy and a clever mechanic who could have earned his living anywhere, and poor Mrs. Hart, his mother. What a dreadful thing it must be for her."

"I am very strong for my age," she went on, "mainly because I have worked hard all my life, and I have lived in the country. I was born at Kenilworth, and I shall never go and live in a town. People say, 'I suppose you will leave that house now, but I say, 'What is the good?'"

"There have been eight burglaries recently in Alrewns, nearby, and the man has never been caught. One of the burglaries was in broad daylight, so I am as safe here as anywhere. The railway has given me this house as long as I want it, and only having an old-age pension and my son's earnings, I can't afford to move, anyway."

Kick Kicks Back

CINCINNATI. Quinton Jesse, 34, walking idly along the street, took a healthy kick at a cardboard box in his way. Hospital attaches said that the boy wrenched his left leg and dislocated his left knee.

THE "TELEGRAPH" will send a Staff Photographer to all events of public interest. Requests should be addressed to the Pictorial Editor.

"Lung" Was On Way to Dying Girl

While an "iron lung" was being rushed from Birmingham Children's Hospital in answer to a midnight broadcast S.O.S., the medical staff at Liverpool Royal Infirmary made an unsuccessful fight for the life of a 20-year-old girl with infantile paralysis.

The patient, Diana Jones, of Alburgh Road, Liverpool, died at one o'clock in the morning.

Efforts to keep her alive with oxygen and artificial respiration until the "lung" arrived proved unavailing.

Clue In Dead Girl Riddle

A young farm servant who heard shouts for help from a girl in a car with three men has opened a new line of inquiry into the death of an unknown girl whose body was found in the sea off Black Rock here recently.

Actually, additional information has been received from three sources.

Miss Enid Williams, the farm servant, is reported to have stated that at 10 p.m. on Monday, while walking with a girl friend in the country, four miles from the point where the body was discovered, she noticed a small saloon car parked at the side of the road.

In it were three men and a girl. As she passed, the driver pulled his cap over his eyes and turned up his coat collar. She heard the noise of a struggle, and the girl called for help.

Miss Williams said she was frightened and ran away.

RAZOR BLADES IN CAR

From another source the police learn that a car was seen on the sands near Black Rock at 6.45 a.m. on Monday and had the appearance of having been there overnight. Razor blades were seen in the dashboard pocket of the car.

A third report is of a girl answering the description of the unknown dead girl, seen walking on deserted rocks alone on Saturday afternoon.

The funeral of the unidentified girl, on whom an open verdict was returned postponed in the hope that there may yet be evidence of identification.

Trailer Fire Outrun

J. A. Harrison and Rev. Alexander, prospectors, driving an automobile and trailer to new "diggings" discovered the trailer on fire. Unable to unhook it, their only alternative to keep the flames from spreading to the automobile was by fast driving to outrun the flames. This they did.



An asbestos-clad man, which will serve as the theme statue of the Johns-Manville building at the New York World's Fair, was unveiled in ceremonies, as above. Grover Whalen, Fair president, and Lewis H. Brown, president of Johns-Manville, are at right. The huge figure is against a background of metal flames, at the building's entrance.

LIVED IN ONE ROOM ON 30s., LEFT £113,000 TO STATE

Bristol.

FOR months grey-bearded, 86-year-old Mr. Albert Grave lived on 30s. a week in a bed-sitting-room at Clarence Road, New Cut, refusing to have a fire in the coldest weather, living on the simplest of food and wearing old clothes.

When he fell down in the street, injuring his nose, he was taken to hospital, but insisted on being sent home. To a doctor who thought he should take a taxi he said: "I have no money for taxis."

A young man assisted him to walk home. At the suggestion of Mrs. Nicholls, in whose house he lived, he produced a shilling as reward.

Next morning he died from haemorrhage. That was in September.

Recently his will was published. £156,000 was the total of his estate.

£23,772 goes in Estate Duty; £5,000 to charity; £200 in four personal gifts, and £113,000, the residue to the Chancellor of the Exchequer for reduction of the National Debt.

ROOM OF MEMORIES

Mrs. Nicholls said that a year ago Mr. Grave—who called himself Gray—knocked at her door and asked if he could have a bed-sitting room.

"He told me that over 20 years ago he had lived in this house, and he felt he would like to come and live in a room which had memories for him," she added.

"What those memories were he never said. "When he came in, I asked if he could afford to pay 27s. a week for his board and laundry. He said, 'Of course.'"

BREAD AND JAM TEA

"Mr. Grave spoke to no one, and only occasionally left his room to go for a walk."

"Even on the coldest days he refused to pay a few coppers extra for a fire in his room. His meals were simple, and for tea he would have only bread and butter, and sometimes jam. His clothes were old, and he never bought anything new."

The only letter Mrs. Nicholls had known him receive was from Mr. Alfred John Loughton, of Market Place, Southwell, Nottinghamshire, to whom he left £50.

"MESSIAH" MUSIC

At the Union Church last night the service took the form of a recital of music and solos from the "The Messiah." G. E. Longyear was at the organ, and the following artists gave their services. Eva Turner, Helen Lockhart, L. T. Rile, G. d'Aquino, Prue Lewis, E. Pellegatti.

Asbestos Man At Fair

Hermit Must Quit His Camp On By-Pass

Wimbledon's picturesque "man of mystery," who five years ago made his home in a clump of bushes on the Kingston by-pass, must leave the town.

Since the day he arrived with his belongings tied up in old sacks and pitched camp beside the road at the entrance of a factory, residents have wondered as to his identity.

Everyone in the town knew him as Sir Roland Walter. Children called him "the bogey man."

MAGISTRATE KNEW HIM

In Wimbledon police court recently he stood in the dock under the name of Walter Avery, aged 40, charged with persistently wandering and loitering in the open air.

He had more than a pound in his possession when arrested. Mr. F. S. Mallett, presiding magistrate, interrupted the constable who was giving evidence with: "I know him better than you do, constable, and he knows me."

He told Avery: "It is an open-air life. I know, but you are an educated man and you must put a stop to it."

Avery was released on promising to leave the town.

A police official said: "Every morning he has gone to a nearby shop and fetched hot water for washing and his breakfast."

"Every day he has bought his can of short and his food and then has sat on his burlap watching the traffic go by, or paced up and down the road smoking his clay pipe, deep in thought."

WOMAN IN CAR

"Never has he given any clue to where he came from, why he lived such a strange life, or who kept him supplied with money."

"A big saloon car drives up to him two or three times every week. He shambles to the door, has a brief conversation with a fashionably-dressed woman inside, is handed his 'allowance,' and then returns to his 'camp.'"

A few days before the police took him before the Wimbledon bench, he undertook to leave the town, but when Mr. Mallett asked why he had not gone, he said simply that he could not leave.

An advantage if the Helwig Light could be provided with radio telephone communication with the shore.

They recommended that owners generally should be encouraged to substitute for rod-and-chain steering a system of direct-action steering on all vessels.

Captain James Griffiths, for the Sailors and Firemen's Union, had expressed the view during the hearing that lifeboats should not be kept on the bridge-alone, but should be distributed to the men to be kept in their quarters.

Radio Phone Urged For Small Ships

Recommendation that small coasting ships should be supplied with radio telephone apparatus was made by the assessors at the Board of Trade inquiry at Cardiff recently into the loss of the steamer Glanrhyd, which went down with 17 men off the Gower Coast last January.

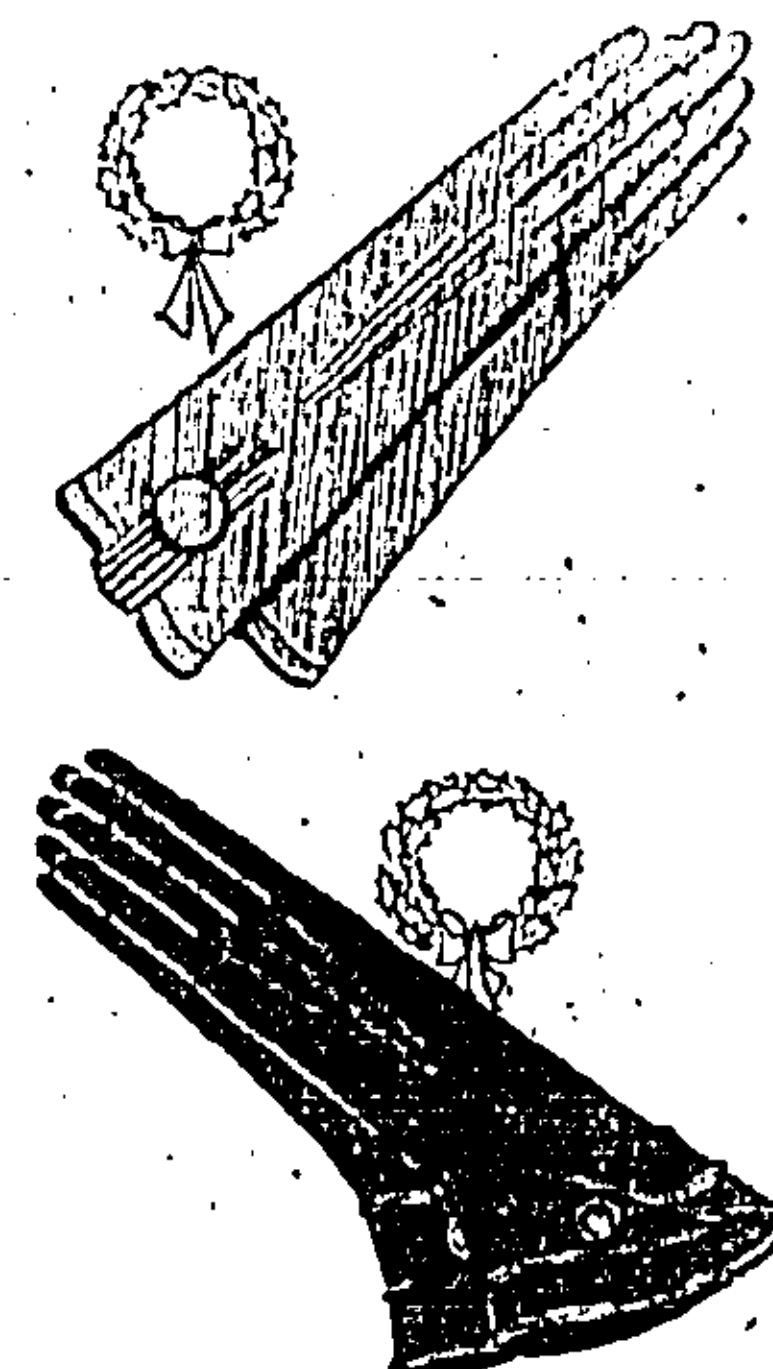
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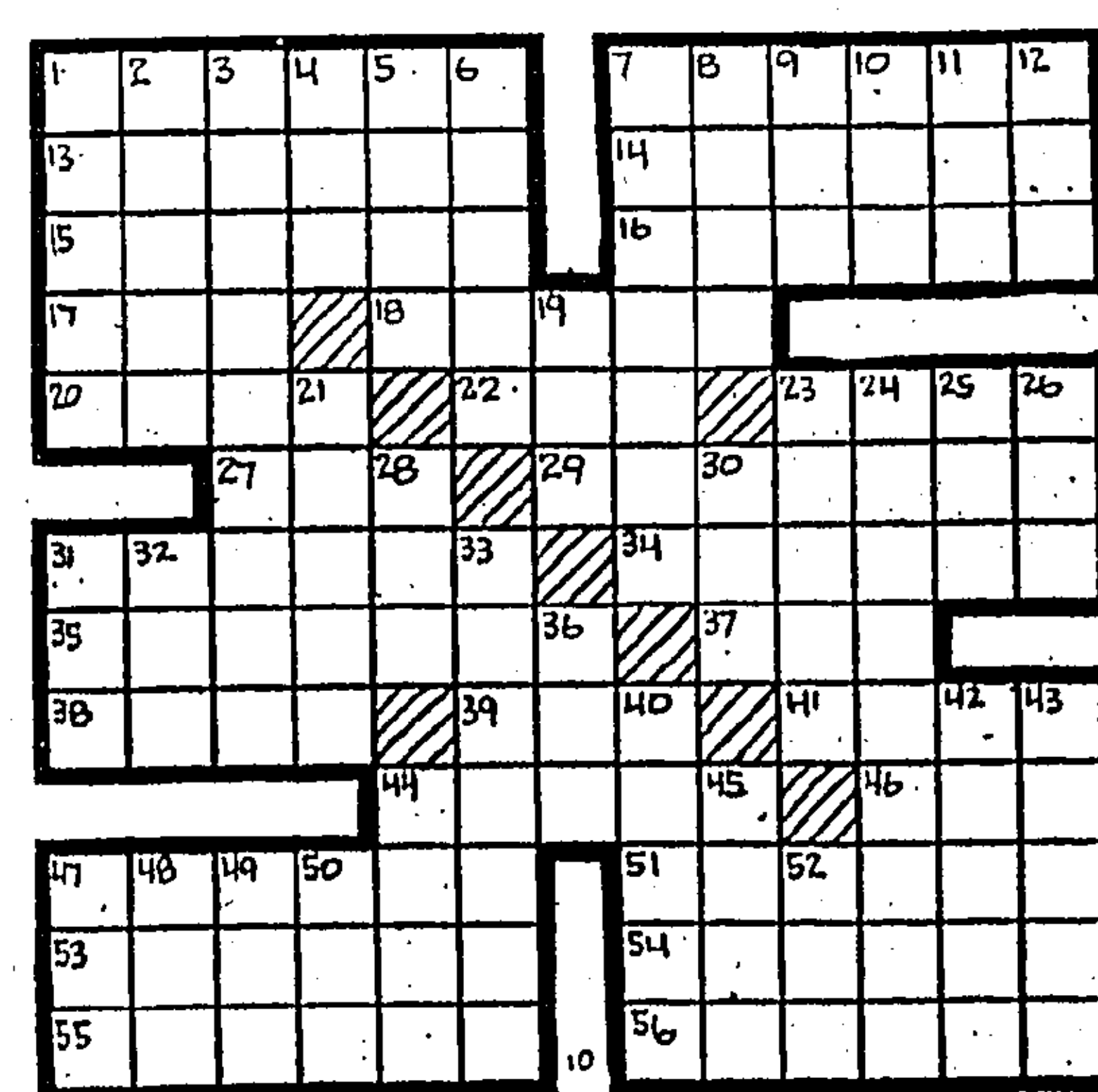
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ACROSS

1—Minister
2—Phrase
3—Kind of paint
4—Leave
5—Time to come
6—Destined for
7—Bin
8—Diadema
9—Leatrain
10—Not a toughy
11—New Zealand tree
12—Roughish gro
13—Symbol of vengeance
14—Unpleasant wounds
15—Musical composition
16—Moving moderately
17—Implies
18—Festive fellow
19—Visited
20—Not cooked
21—For fear that
22—Dead by nature
23—Witch
24—Bacchan
25—Rebellious of region
26—Protective charm
27—Does not meet
28—Articles of furniture
29—Leave

DOWN

1—Send to information
2—Toughen by exposure
3—Form of murder
4—Large bird
5—Blow vehicles
6—Blow in sexuality
7—Part of camera
8—Boat in boat
9—American Indian
10—Polish river
11—Old age
12—Long time
13—Horse's mouth
14—Invisible to airplane
15—Aristocrat's plant
16—Small note
17—Horse and
18—Hiding place
19—Sound of cow
20—Century cool
21—A single
22—Avenue
23—Declined gradually
24—Fleece
25—Fleece (Prov. dist.)
26—Having liberty
27—Horse
28—Heated news on
29—Vine recalcitrant
30—Rabbit pass
31—Strike sentry



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WEDDING SECRET KEPT TWO YEARS

SIR Oswald Mosley revealed recently that he was secretly married just over two years ago to the former Mrs. Bryan Guinness, third daughter of Lord Redesdale and a sister of Miss Unity Mitford, friend of Hitler.

Coupled with his statement was the announcement that "The Hon. Lady Mosley gave birth to a son on Saturday, November 26, last. Both mother and son are doing well."

Lady Mosley's son was born in London and, it is understood, weighed 10lbs. at birth.

No details of the secret marriage ceremony were disclosed in Sir Oswald Mosley's statement, made to "Action," official newspaper of his British Union of Fascists.

Reports were published that Sir Oswald was married in Munich on December 1, 1937. His organisation then issued a statement saying he "has not been in Germany at all for over two years past."

Reasons for Secrecy

Sir Oswald Mosley's personal statement issued recently says:—

It is not my habit to give any interview or statement to the Financial Democratic Press, because in the past many such interviews were twisted to suit their own purpose.

Further, it was estimated recently that nearly half a million of my fellow countrymen were good enough to assemble to listen to me in the course of a single month; yet the national Press thought this quite unworthy of mention.

It is, therefore, a legitimate conclusion that the Press has no interest in me, and I certainly have no interest in them.

It may accordingly be a subject of some surprise that the Press should show any interest in such a purely personal matter as my marriage. Yet their interest has gone even beyond a siege by reporters of any one even remotely connected.

In several instances papers have gone so far as to name the date of December 4 last, and to describe in detail the ceremony in Munich; a town that I have not visited for three and a half years.

It is now necessary to publish the fact of my marriage, and I am very glad to do so in the columns of "Action." In fact, it took place just over two years ago.

HIS REASONS

With the kind assistance of a few friends I was able to fulfil my desire for privacy. My reasons for this were:—

(1) It is obvious that certain special

risks are attached to my life, and it was my strong desire that no woman should share them.

(2) My first wife was subject to the most blackguardly abuse from some sections of the Press and from some political opponents. It was again my strong desire that no woman should be subject to such treatment merely because she happened to be married to me.

(3) In our movement, no necessity arose to publicise the matter, because it is not in accord with our principles that a woman should accompany her husband in his public work, or perform any function, merely because she is married to a man who is charged with such duty.

We believe in real sex equality, and, therefore, both men and women perform their own service in their own way without reference to the purely private fact of marriage.

My wife, as a member of our movement, has performed some of its hardest tasks, including the canvass on the doorstep.

NOT OUR WAYS

We leave to financial democracy the custom of a man taking his wife around in his public work, and the still more ridiculous, but now familiar spectacle, of a public woman taking



Wearing slip-over sweaters labeled "Fitness Wins," and pleated skirts, these pretty British girls who are members of the "Keep Fit" brigade are shown as they paraded recently in the Lord Mayor's Show, in London. The "Keep Fit" movement has enlisted thousands of girl members throughout England and the Empire.

Girl Becomes A 'Flying Squad'

A girl cycled a mile in the darkness at 3 a.m. recently to tell the police that from her bedroom window at Box, a village near Bath, she had seen the shadow of a man in a shop.

The girl, Miss Gladys Fisher, of Old Clock House, Box, returned to the shop with two policemen and saw one of them struggle with a man, who ran out.

The man escaped in the darkness. The policeman was cut by broken glass of a window through which the thief entered the shop.

ing her husband around. Once again our ways are not their ways.

In conclusion, may I pay this one personal tribute to my wife before I close the subject: in hard struggle she has never for one moment flinched from the British Union principle; always and in all things the movement comes first.

The Hon. Diana Mitford married Mr. Bryan Guinness in 1929, when she was eighteen. There are two sons. The marriage was dissolved in 1934.

Sir Oswald Mosley is forty-two. His first wife, a daughter of the late Marquis Curzon of Kedleston, died in 1933.

VALET POSED AS PEER TO THE DUNCAN SISTERS

Hector Weedy, a 19-year-old chauffeur-vallet, who was stated to have posed as a peer, entertained the Duncan Sisters, and given a champagne party in the West End was at the Old Bailey recently sentenced to three years' Borstal detention.

Pleading guilty to stealing a motor-car and four cheque forms, and obtaining credit by false pretences, he also asked for six other cases to be taken into consideration.

NEEDS DISCIPLINE The Recorder (Mr. Gerald Dodson) told Weedy that it was obvious that Weedy required discipline, guidance and a healthy life.

Weedy was alleged to have made a statement in which he said he stole a cheque from Sir David Hawley's room when employed as a temporary footman at Diddington Hall, Norfolk, and also stole cheques from a Captain Wilson, of Lowndes Square, where he was later employed as a chauffeur-vallet.

"I also sent a letter asking for £60, which I stated, was owing to me, to a Mr. Rowe.

"I had read of this man's death in the Press and thought his relatives would pay this money without any query. I did not know Mr. Rowe, neither did he owe me any money," continued the statement.

TREATED DUNCAN SISTERS "While still employed at this address I took the Duncan Sisters to the Cafe Anglaise, Leicester Square, and paid £2 12s.

"I again went to the Cafe Anglaise, stated I was Lord Killanin (I was known to the Duncan Sisters as Lord Killanin) and asked for credit for £50 on one of the cheques I had stolen from Captain Wilson's address."

"I then had a bottle of champagne, sandwiches and spaghetti, and was introduced to a young woman, who said she was a dance hostess," the statement went on. "A crowd gathered round and all had champagne and sandwiches."

Weedy also said he then went to another restaurant, where he had more champagne. He was then feeling "rather drunk" and credit hostess, who was still with him, asked him to accompany her home, which he did.

At her address she left him and gave her a cheque for £100, he believed, for a watch.

It was stated that Weedy was bound over at the Old Bailey in January of last year on a charge of uttering letters demanding money by menaces. He had sent letters to various women threatening their children.

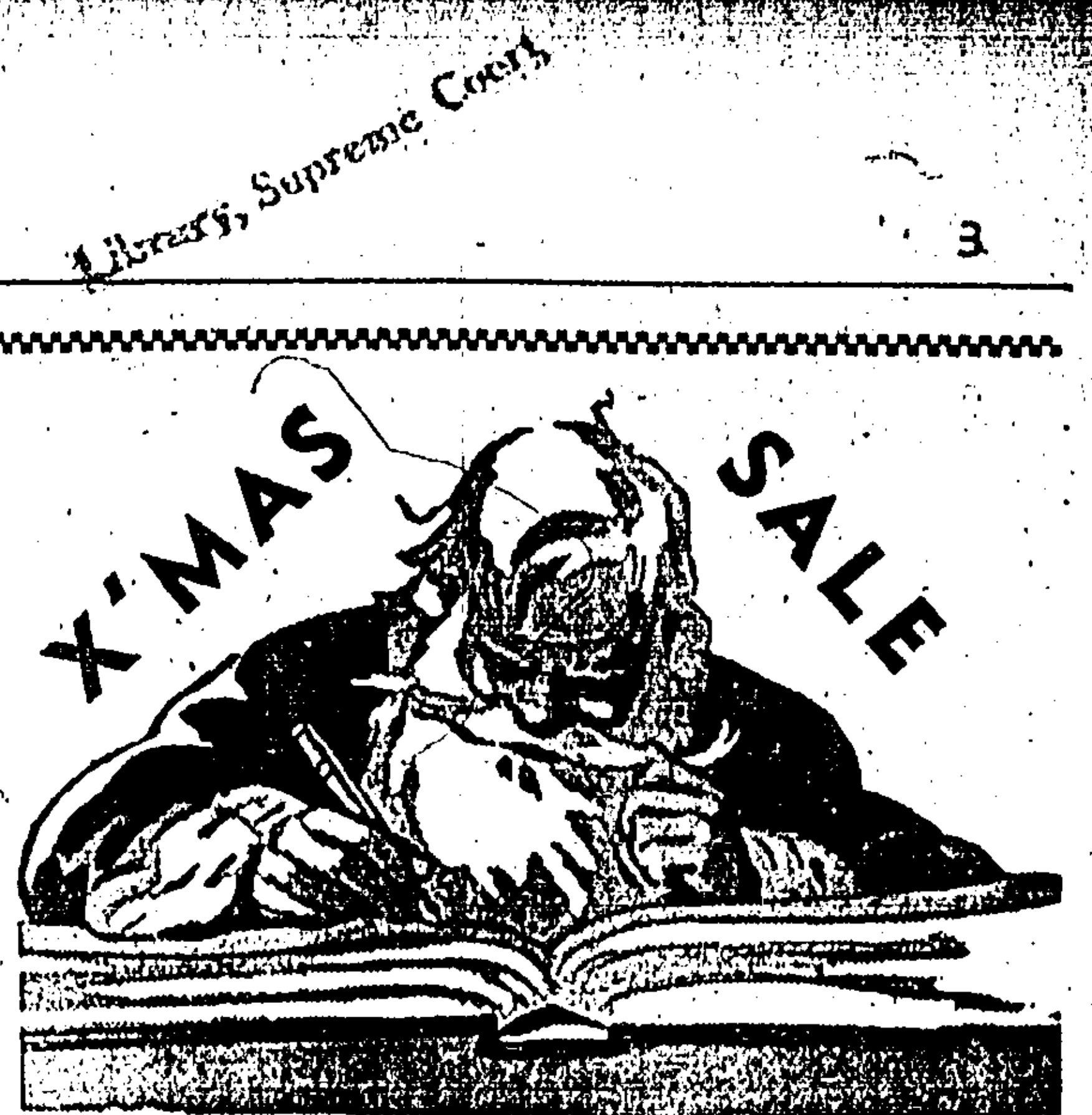
"Vertebrae Queen Chosen"

SAN FRANCISCO. Miss Bodine Castaneda of this city had conferred on her by the San Francisco Unit of the Affiliated Chiropractors of California the title of "Vertebrae Queen." Against serious competition, she was chosen as having the most beautiful back.

Divorced Spouse Gets Poems

Onkand, Cal. Ralph H. Dreisbach, of Scranton, N. D., in the divorce decree awarded his wife here, received as his total share of the community property a book entitled "Poems You Ought to Know." Mrs. Dreisbach got a \$1,000 insurance policy.

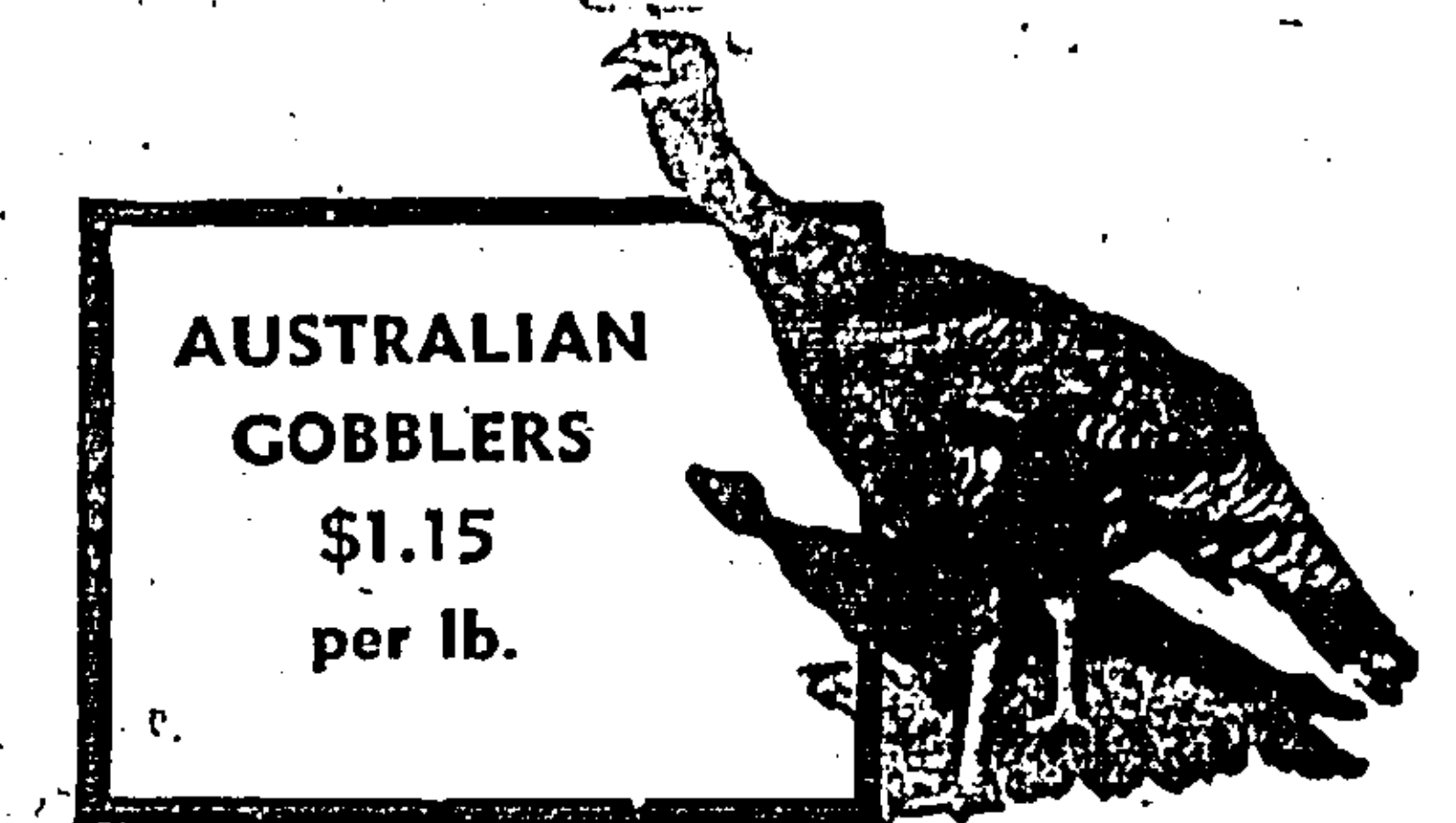
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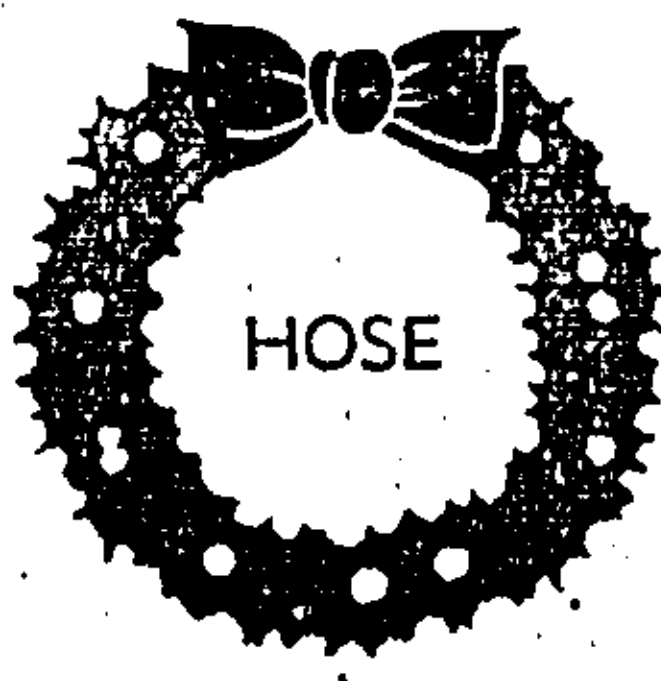
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STOCK MARKET REPORT

The Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued at 12.30 p.m., December 17, says:

The market was quiet but steady during the short session.

Buyers

Douglas \$1
H.K. & W. Wharves \$115
H.K. Docks (Old) \$104
H.K. Docks (New) \$117
Provident (New) \$5.90
H. & S. Hotels \$94
H.K. Realities \$3
Star Ferries \$715
Sundown \$104
Watsons \$7.45
Entertainments \$6.40
H.K. Govt. 4 1/2% Loan par.
H.K. Govt. 5 1/2% Loan par.

Sellers

Hongkong Bank \$1,240
H.K. & W. Wharves \$117
Humphreys \$9
H.K. Electric \$174
Daily News \$245
Lane, Crawford & Co.
Constructions \$134

Sales

Hongkong Bank \$1,235/30
H.K. & W. Wharves \$117
H.K. Docks (Old) \$104
Star Ferries \$72
H.K. Electric \$174
Annam \$49 1/2
Hagulu Gold \$2.23
Bergend, Consul \$12.50
H.K. Govt. 4 1/2% Loan par.
Cons. Mines \$1,003
Demonstrations \$1.37
J.C. & Co.
Paracale Gums \$1.13
San Maurice \$1.10
H.K. Govt. 5 1/2% Loan par.
United Paracale \$1.54

DEMAND BY WOMEN

Want Higher Posts In Defence Department

London, Dec. 18.

British women civil servants want to share in the higher posts of the three defence departments, from the administrative and executive classes of which they are now excluded.

"The unwillingness to employ women in these categories is understood to rest upon the idea that since women do not form part of the fighting forces, they should not be entrusted with any share of the responsibility for the control or equipment of those forces," states the official organ of the National Association of Women Civil Servants, which proceeds to state that the civil air guard has been opened to women and plans have been made to re-create the women's auxiliary forces on modern lines.

The idea that the defence departments are concerned exclusively with males is thus refuted, it holds.—Reuter.

NEW YEAR FIREWORKS

In accordance with practice every New Year, the Government Gazette notices that His Excellency the Governor has given permission for fireworks, not being unlawful fireworks, to be kindled, discharged or let off in a lawful manner within the Colony, between 11.45 p.m. on December 31, 1938 and 12.15 a.m. on January 1, 1939.

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By Order of the Board of Directors, —

NOEL BRAGA.

Secretary.

Lost Job On Eve Of Wedding

MR. SALOMON JACOB LEVINE, 37-year-old exiled Russian Jew, walked hand in hand with his newly married wife out of Bury (Lancashire) register office recently.

His bride, former Miss Marion Bridge, had left her home and given up her British nationality. Mr. Levine had just lost his job as a research chemist.

When, on the eve of their wedding, he was given notice, he cancelled arrangements for buying a house.

The couple later went to Paris hoping for a reconciliation with Mr. Levine's parents.

After lunch in an hotel the bride, groom put on his white coat and went back to work-out his notice.

He speaks French and German but little English.

SECRET NAVAL PAPERS ON BEACH

SECRET maps and documents relating to the Naval branch of the Royal Air Force have been found on Hastings beach by a boy named Lionel Taylor.

He showed his find to playmates, and then seeing that they were marked "secret and confidential," took them to the police.

At first it was feared that a sea-plane had been lost in the Channel.

Later the authorities at Portsmouth intimated that they had not yet received any official communication.

A special messenger was at once dispatched to Hastings.

The aircraft carrier Courageous, from which it is believed the papers may have been lost overboard, arrived at Spithead safely.

SPEEDY DESTROYER

Fastest in World Being Built in England

London, Dec. 17. The World's fastest destroyer is now being built in England, according to the Evening Standard, which declares that it will have a maximum speed of 45 knots and a cruising radius of 650 miles.—Trans-Ocean.

Armaments Expenditure

London, Dec. 16. Naval expenditure has doubled, army expenditure has trebled, and air force expenditure has quintupled since the last elections, said Mr. Leslie Hore Belisha at Devonport today.

He added that it was expected that tons, would enter into service this 60 warships, representing 130,000 financial year.—Reuter.

STAFF OFFICERS

Capt. G. E. Neve of the Queen's Own Royal West Regiment, is due from England in June next year to take over at C.S.O. 3, China Command, from Major H. S. F. Hopkinson, who has been transferred.

PRISON FOR RAIDERS

Used To Drink In Night Clubs

DRINKING in London night clubs was said to have been among the habits of the four young men who were sentenced at Derby Assizes recently for being concerned in a £330 burglary from a country house at Chelmsley, Derbyshire.

Mr. Commissioner Maurice Healy, K.C., who held the Assizes, recalled the recent "Mayfair Case," in which four young men carried out a jewel robbery in a hotel. He thought it relevant that the young men before him had committed this offence in view of the sentences passed in that case.

The men, all of whom pleaded guilty, were sentenced as follows: David John Beaton-Sneddon, 23, Independent, Baron's Court, W., 15 months' imprisonment; Richard Norman Campbell, 27, aircraft riveter, Jermyn-street, W., 18 months;

William John Miller, 25, clerk, of Archer-street, 18 months; John Patrick Walcott, Topham, 24, aircraft pilot, Archer-street, W., 15 months.

In passing sentence, Mr. Healy said that any plea made in favour of young men fell on ready ears and he had the greatest sympathy with high spirits, but it was a bad case. He was surprised to see that Topham had brought disgrace on a famous school and university.

Mr. T. N. Winning, prosecuting, said that the actual breaking and entering and stripping of the house was done by Campbell. Topham and Miller were standing quite near, and Beaton-Sneddon was watching the owner of the house in a hotel 250 yards away.

WATCH AT HOTEL

The house was owned by Mr. W. R. Royce, prospective Liberal candidate for the Louth Division of Lincolnshire, who had no resident servants. Mr. and Mrs. Royce were out from 7.30 p.m. to 10.30 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 16. At one time Beaton-Sneddon had stayed for three months at the hotel and, having taken his colleagues to the house, he went to the hotel to keep an eye on Mrs. Royce to warn the others should she start back home.

From the house were taken rings, watches, brooches, earrings, bracelets, necklets, a clock, opera glasses, and other articles, including suitcases, all of which made it evident that more than one person helped to carry the goods away.

Subsequently the police saw Beaton-Sneddon, who remained at the hotel at Chelmsley. He denied all knowledge of the burglary, but, when taken into custody, made a statement. A telephone message was sent to London, and the three other men were arrested on arrival in a car with the stolen goods at a flat in Archer-street.

Supt. Roger said that Beaton-Sneddon was born in Nyanaland and was educated in Scotland, where he was at a university. Later he rejoined his parents at Ashford, Kent. In 1934 he was employed as a garage attendant, but since his father died in 1936 he had lived in the West End of London, where he said he had an interest in a night club. He frequented night clubs, took drink to excess, and associated with undesirable persons. His liking for drink was apparently his downfall.

Mr. Healy: Not his liking for drink, but his incapacity to use drink as it should be used.

Supt. Roger added that Beaton-Sneddon had been bound over for stealing a car.

UNDESIRABLE FRIENDS

Campbell, he said, was born in Belfast, was employed as a garage mechanic and then as a painter, and after imprisonment for obtaining money by false pretences he worked as a riveter's mate at £4 a week. In March he left home, and had been drinking in night clubs and associating with undesirable people.

Topham, born in London, went to a public school and university, and was unstable and spoilt in early life. In 1923, on the death of his father, he was left a large sum of money, which he had squandered during the last few years. He owned a motor-car and an airplane, but had to resign from a flying club because of his drinking and objectionable behaviour. He had been living in the West End.

Miller was native of Folkestone, and had been a solicitor's clerk, but in recent years he had had no work, and received pocket-money from his mother. West End night clubs were his haunts, and he preferred the company of young men of independent means. He asked for cases of house-breaking and office-breaking to be taken into consideration—three from Folkestone, one from Weybridge and two from Walton.

LIVING ON WITS

Mr. Commissioner Healy said that here were four young men knocking about the West End of London with nothing better to live on than their wits, who got a car and went to a peaceful part of the countryside to make an elaborate raid.

Referring to the "Mayfair Case," he said in the present instance there was no violence, but in each case there came together four idle young men who had been drinking and fooling around, and when short of money looked to see whom they could rob. Mr. van Oas, for Topham, said that he had a serious motor accident in which it was suspected that he fractured his skull. He was a high-spirited young man with 1,400 hours flying to his credit, and he set out on the Derbyshire venture in all innocence.

LETTERS

Petition For Peace

To the Editor, Hongkong Telegraph.

Sir,—None realises more than the Peace Pledge Union that Mr. Neville Chamberlain is making a sincere effort to create and establish peace in Europe and the world generally, by his policy of appeasement, but it is the conviction of the Peace Pledge Union that permanent world peace depends upon a fundamental and general settlement.

It is the belief of the Union that permanent peace cannot be secured by competitive armaments, through sacrifices imposed upon small nations, or by exclusive arrangements between groups of major Powers. The Union therefore urges the necessity of holding a new peace conference open to all nations and directed towards remedying the economic and political conditions likely to lead to war.

To this end it prays that His Majesty's Government will take in consultation with the President of the United States of America, the necessary steps to secure the holding of such a conference, after adequate preparation and after the fullest collaboration of Britain in bringing the negotiations to a successful issue.

The Hongkong groups of the Peace Pledge Union (unanimously) associates itself with this petition, which is to be presented in due course to His Majesty's Government, and cordially invites residents of Hongkong to add their signatures to it. Copies of the petition are now in the hands of members of the Peace Pledge Union in Hongkong, through whom signatures to the petition can be made, or alternatively the petition can be signed upon enquiry at the Challenor Book Shop, 1st floor, Queen's Building, Ice House Street.

Publication of this letter in your valuable columns, in order to bring the petition before your readers, will be very warmly appreciated by the Hongkong Group of the Peace Pledge Union.

I. A. SHORR,
Hon. Sec. H.K. Group, P.P.U.

Manila Broadcasts

Sir,—I wonder if any ZBW official listened in to the Manila station last night and heard the beautiful rendition of the First and Second Acts of Gilbert and Sullivan's "H.M.S. Pinafore."

Two hours of solid opera usually leaves me bored, but I must confess that I listened enthralled to last night's broadcast from Manila.

In the apparent absence of local artists who can give us this sort of concert, would it not be possible for ZBW to relay the Sunday night concerts from KZRM? They are much preferable to the Sabbath-programmes we usually get from the local station.

Incidentally, is there any reason why ZBW relays should be confined to Davenport?

DARTFORD.

Cinema Critic

Sir,—One of the reasons why I avoid going to cinema houses in Hongkong unless the programme is an outstanding one is the terrific blaring from behind the screen. I assure the local picture houses could obtain greater European patronage if they would cease giving their patrons a headache along with their entertainment.

Hongkong seems to be one of the few cities where the maxim, after the film is inserted into the projector, is "let her go." No attempt seems to be made to control the volume of sound.

This seems to apply to every theatre in the Colony, with the possible exception of the King's Theatre, where, some sort of control is exercised.

CINEMADDICT.

The First Shot

Sir,—With reference to the article "Man Who Started War Meets Man Who Ended It" published in the Hongkong Telegraph on Wednesday, the information, I think, is incorrect, since the first shots were fired on June 28, 1914 at the Archduke Franz Ferdinand and his wife at Sarajevo, in the morning by a printer who failed to hit his mark, and in the afternoon by a student, who murdered the Archduke.

After various protests by the governments concerned, Austria, backed up by Germany, sent Serbia an ultimatum, with which it was impossible for Serbia to comply in the time. When the ultimatum expired Austrian artillery commenced to shell Belgrade.

I take it that one of the above incidents should be considered the "First Shot of the Great War." If the heading is meant to read "The First Britisher to Fire a Shot," again I think it is incorrect. This controversy was settled by a paragraph, published in the Daily Mail, about 1931, and read, almost word for word, as follows:

"It is said that Corporal Thomas of the Dragoon Guards fired the first shot of the Great War, however, Corporal King of the Royal Marines is credited with having fired the first shot; a gunlayer on board H.M.S. Amphion which sank the German raider Königsberg on August 6, 1914. This gallant marine now lies buried in Bury St. Edmund's, Churchyard, Suffolk."

The Daily Mail also meant it to read "The First Britisher," at least, I think so.

The above action took place before the Great War, which I think was landed in France, which I think was "First British Soldier to Fire a Shot in the Great War" would be more appropriate than "First Britisher." I treasure the above cutting very much, having served close on six-

TOM FARR BEATEN BY LOU NOVA

New York, Dec. 17. Lou Nova, 189 lbs., beat Tommy Farr, 203 lbs., on points over fifteen rounds here to-day. Nova thus became the heavyweight "White Hope." He gave Farr the worst beating of his eight years' career, also achieving what neither Joe Louis, Max Baer nor Jimmy Braddock could do in belting Farr groggy. He landed him staggering around the ring on the verge of a knock-out in the fourteenth round, when only the bell saved Farr from his first knock-out.

Nova was unable to produce a knock-out in the final round, having shot his bolt in the fourteenth. Before the 14th round, it was anybody's fight, with 10,443 fans thundering throughout. Mid-way through the 14th, Nova connected with a right which buckled Farr's knees. Farr tried to hold, but Nova kept him away, and cloaked him with a series of lefts and rights to the head. Farr swayed and reeled backwards to his own corner, whereupon the referee, Eddie Joseph, intervened and started to count, and Nova, thinking he had won on a technical knock-out, started for his own corner, but Farr staggered off the ropes and, despite further punishment, held out until the bell.—United Press.

Official Award

Reuter states that the gate receipts amounted to £6,307. The referee made the fight a draw, giving seven rounds to each, with one even, but one of the judges gave Nova eight rounds, and Farr seven, and the other judge with one even.

It is considered here that Farr's fate is extinguished, as far as America is concerned. Farr, who threatened to retire if he were beaten, is now thinking it over, as his manager may attempt a return fight with Nova.

GOLF CLUB CHAMPION

Lissaman Defeats Key Eight And Six

The final of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club's championship at Fanling yesterday was won by A. E. Lissaman, who beat W. J. S. Key eight and six.

Lissaman and Key won the first and second holes respectively, and three halves followed. Lissaman, however, was three up at the turn and never again lost the lead. He was three up at fifteen.

Losing the first hole of the afternoon round, Lissaman then made four holes in a row to make the match safe.

The bye was played out, Lissaman's two rounds being 77 and 76. His game was very accurate and he was hitting the ball great distance, with no visible effort.

GOLF CLUB COMMITTEE

Nominations for the General Committee of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club were decided by ballot on Friday, the following being elected: Messrs. A. S. Adamson, D. H. Blake, K. S. Morrison, I. H. Geare, D. J. Gilmore, A. D. Humphreys, A. E. Lissaman, A. K. Mackenzie and R. Young.

HECHT JOINS BUDGE

Prague, Dec. 18. The Czechoslovak Davis Cup tennis player, Ladislav Hecht, has turned professional. He signed a contract, joining the Budge-Vines group. Thus, Czechoslovakia next year will hardly be a serious opponent in the European Davis Cup matches, especially since the Sudeten German, Roderich Menzel, former Czechoslovak tennis ace, now plays for Germany.—Trans-Ocean.

Fast Thinking Saves Life

CLEVELAND. Michael Kulaga, 27, crossing the street with his 2-year-old daughter, Frances, in his arms, saw a car would be hit. He threw his daughter to the tree lawn, where she landed unhurt. Kulaga was knocked to the pavement.

teen years in that regiment. Unfortunately, I have neither the cutting nor any other authentic means out here to prove what I relate is correct, nevertheless, I will thank any other reader who is able to contradict and correct me in what I have had to say.

I do not dispute Corporal F. H. Pennington having dispatched Earl Haig's memorable "cease fire" wire on Nov. 11, 1918, but to say he was the "Man Who Ended It," is, I think, rather misleading, inasmuch as there was many an angry shot fired as a result of the Great War, between Nov. 1918 and the official "Ending of the Great War" June 7, 1921. I presume Corporal F. H. Pennington had returned to civilian life quite some time before the latter date; hence, he had little to do with "The Man Who Ended It."

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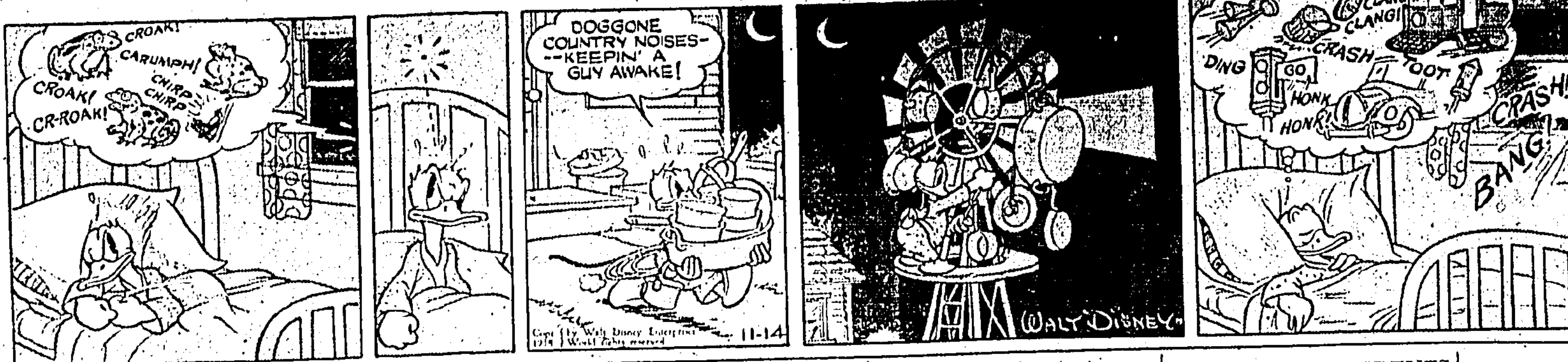
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Japan	Joyce	December 20
Shanghai and Swatow	Kingyuan	December 20
Calcutta and Straits	Sirdhana	December 20
Japan	Sulsang	December 20
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Manila	Empress of Russia	December 21
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Japan and Shanghai	Bhan	December 24
Japan	Marchal Joffre	December 24
Japan	Tusima Maru	December 24
Japan and Shanghai	British Monarch	December 24
Manila	Menestheus	December 26
Straits	Pleasantville	December 26
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	Reg.	Dec. 19, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Dec. 19, 7 p.m.
Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Sydney, 26th December.	Imperial Airways Plane	Mon., Dec. 19.
	K.P.O.	
	Reg.	Dec. 19, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Dec. 19, 5.30 p.m.
	G.P.O.	
	Reg.	Dec. 19, 5 p.m.
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Tuesday		
Swatow	Kiungchow	Tues., Dec. 20, 8.30 a.m.
Hoihow and Pakhoi	Kwangtung	Tues., Dec. 20, Noon.
Haiiphong	Canton	Tues., Dec. 20, 2 p.m.
Fort Bayard	Jean Dupuis	Tues., Dec. 20, 2 p.m.
Wednesday		
Shanghai and Japan	Jean Laborde	Wed., Dec. 21, 1.30 p.m.
Swatow	Halyang	Wed., Dec. 21, 2 p.m.
Amoy	Tsinan	Wed., Dec. 21, 3.30 p.m.
Thursday		
Sandakan	Hinsang	Thurs., Dec. 22, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Foochow and Tientsin	Hunan	Thurs., Dec. 22, 8.30 a.m.
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Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 26th December.	Imperial Airways Plane	Thurs., Dec. 22.
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	Reg.	Dec. 22, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Dec. 22, 5.30 p.m.
	G.P.O.	
	Reg.	Dec. 22, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Dec. 22, 7 p.m.
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	Ord.	Dec. 22, 5.30 p.m.
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	Ord.	Dec. 22, 7 p.m.
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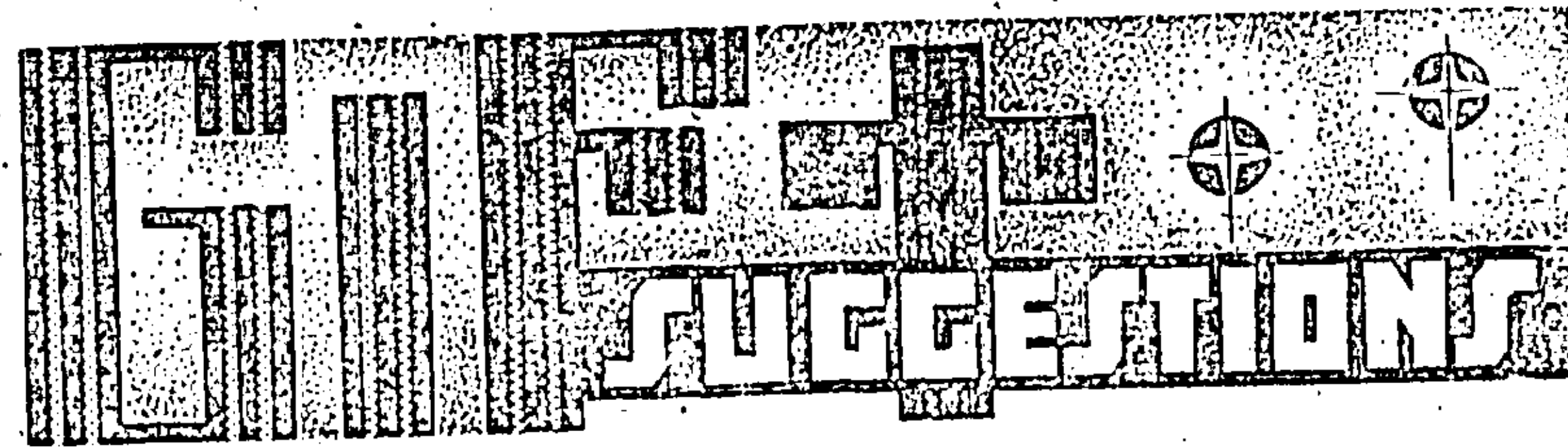


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ASSAULT
ALLEGEDTwo Naval Stokers
Before Court

Charged on two counts of assault, two British sailors, First Class Stokers Henry Frederick Reginald Allridge, 21, and Thomas Gore, 20, both of HMS Diamond, appeared before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistrate's Court on Saturday, and were remanded to-day for the case to be re-opened before another Magistrate, owing to a misunderstanding on the part of Mr. Forrest.

Both defendants pleaded not guilty to charges of assaulting Lau Chi, 38, a house-boy employed at No. 104 The Peak, at Lockhart Road on Saturday morning, and assaulting Detective Constable C324, Tsang Tak, at the same place and date. Mr. Allridge, however, understood the defendants to plead guilty to the first charge, and not guilty to the second, and thereupon asked for evidence on the second count only.

Tsang Tak stated that he was on duty in Lockhart Road about 2 a.m. on Saturday when he heard police whistles. He saw a sailor identified as Allridge, chasing some people. Allridge appeared to be drunk. He went up to the sailor, informed him he was a policeman, and by the light of his electric torch, showed Allridge his police identification card. Allridge after saying something, he did not understand, suddenly struck witness a blow under the chin. Witness then left, and telephoned to Wanchai police station for assistance. Detective Sub-Inspector W. N. Darkin arrived and asked Allridge and Gore to accompany him to the station. Gore did not strike witness.

His Worship discharged Gore on this count.

Defendant's Story

Defendant Allridge said he was talking to a group of friends in Lockhart Road when a beggar began pestering him. He told the beggar to go away, and the man crossed the road and joined a group of men, and began saying something in Chinese. Defendant crossed the road to find out what they were saying, and he was joined by Gore and two Royal Scots, who apparently thought he needed assistance.

After chasing the men, Allridge said he made to rejoin Gore, who was standing in the middle of the road talking to the detective. As he moved up, one of the defendant away, struck at the detective.

Asked by Inspector Darkin why he did not inform him that it was a soldier and not himself who had struck the detective, Allridge said the soldiers had then gone.

Questioned by Mr. Forrest, Allridge admitted that he had a few drinks, but denied he was drunk. He said he had a clear recollection of what happened.

His Worship said he would discharge the defendant, as in the circumstances it was quite possible that the detective had made a mistake. The detective had said he was shining his torch on his card when the blow was struck.

Inspector Darkin said he had further evidence to offer on the charge of assaulting the house-boy, which was connected with the assault on the detective and made a mistake. The defendant had pleaded guilty to the first charge.

Inspector Darkin said that was not the case.

Defendants were thereupon remanded in naval custody for the case to be re-opened.

WAR CORRESPONDENTS

Journalists Sail For
Shanghai

Passengers who joined the Lloyd Triestino liner Conte Biancamano yesterday when she sailed for Japan included Mr. Holdre Hansen, journalist, whose despatches from China have made him a notable. He is going to Shanghai.

Mr. Hansen arrived in Hongkong a few days ago after a trip which took him from Peking through Shensi and territory further west to Chungking.

From Chungking he travelled to Kweilin, where he caught a plane to Hongkong. In all, he travelled about 3,800 miles and was absent about six months.

During his journeyings Mr. Hansen sent graphic despatches to Associated Press. He travelled light and had to buy clothing and other equipment here.

In the light of Mr. Hansen's operations interest attached to the following reference to the enterprise of Associated Press, made in the November Time: "The Associated Press sent a correspondent southward from Peking on June 11 to plunge into guerrilla land and get the story (of the guerrilla activities). His despatches are now reaching the U.S. by mail. For the present the A.P. dares not divulge his identity, when it does come out his name will be listed in U.S. journalism's evanescent hall of fame... as one who went through danger and discomfort and the big story of Chinese operations deep in the interior between Japanese front lines."

Mr. Clark Lee Leaves

Mr. Clark Lee, of the Associated Press, who had been stationed in Hongkong, also departed by the Conte Biancamano. He is going to Tokyo.

Mr. Lee was accompanied by his wife, who, as Princess Liluolani, Kawanakoa of Hawaii, recently came to the Colony for the marriage.

MURDER MYSTERY

Chinese Found Dead
Bound with Rope

"Murder by some person or persons unknown," was the verdict returned by a jury at the conclusion of an inquiry, before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court yesterday, into the death of a man named Liu Sam, 28, whose body was found near a stream on a hill in Kowloon Cilly on August 28.

Members of the jury were Messrs. G. Castle (Foreman), Choa Boon-chew and Derek Nickson.

The deceased had a rope around his hands and head, tightly wound around his neck three times and firmly under the left ear. Three loops loosely encircled the left wrist and the rope continued under the right arm pit, being tied firmly around the right wrist.

Medical evidence was that the deceased had been strangled, and that he could not have committed suicide.

The deceased's brother said that he suspected a man named Lam Chiu-tung, an old friend of the family.

Inspector A. E. Carey said that there was no information about Lam Chiu-tung, who was said to have absconded.

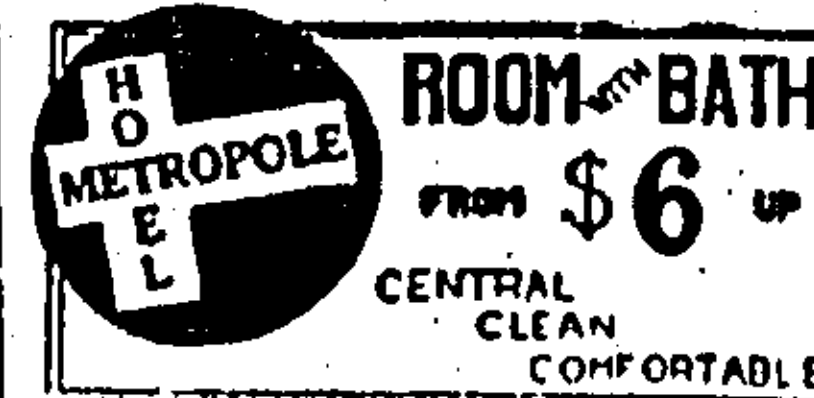
Mr. Macfadyen addressed the jury and said that the deceased could not have been strangled unless, probably, two or three men had been involved.

Without retiring the jury returned the verdict as stated.

LOOKING INTO
THE FUTURE

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common occurrence in China, especially at the time of any crisis, or great national calamity. In view of the fact that the Chinese people place such great importance on such phenomena, it is certain that the dissemination of the words of such a prophecy will be a potent factor in the restoration of the national moral. This is the view of many of the Chinese 'intellectuals'.



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6.30 Closing local Stock Quotations.

6.32 Sea Shanties.

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7.10 The B.B.C. Variety Orchestra. Lulworth Cove (Shadwell); Manhattan Moonlight (Alter); Curtain Up (Ballarina Suite—A. Wood)... with Reginald Foort at the BBC Theatre Organ.

7.20 Jane Carr, Hildegard, George Formby, and New Variety.

Vocal—Cafe-Chantant (Wal-Berg) and His Orchestra; Impressionist—The Singing Lesson (Carr) Sun Building (Carr)... Jane Carr Dance Orch.—Alexander's Ragtime Band—Selection (Irving Berlin)... New Mayfair Dance Orchestra; Vocal—The Moon Got In My Eyes (Johnston)... Hildegard with Orchestra; Dance Orch.—In A Little Toy Sallboat—Fox-Trot; Small Fry—Slow Fox-Trot (film "Sing you Sinners")... Gerald and His Orchestra with vocal refrain; Comedian—George Formby Medley... George Formby with His Ukulele and Orchestra; Cinema Organ—The Wind Has Told Me A Story—Tango; Fuzza (Mihaly)... Reginald Foort and the B.B.C. Theatre Organ; Vocal w. Orch.—The Lambeth Walk (from "Me and My Girl")... Lupino Lane with Teddie St. Denis and Company.

8.0 Time Weather and Announcements.

8.03 Carroll Gibbons (Piano) and His Boy Friends.

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Moonlight (Meyer)... Carroll Gibbons (Piano) and His Boy Friends; Midnight In Mayfair (Chase)... Carroll Gibbons (Piano); With Three I Swing (Adlam)... Carroll Gibbons and His Boy Friends; Foolin' Myself (Tinturin); You're Here, You're Everywhere (Loeb)... Carroll Gibbons (Piano) and His Boy Friends.

8.30 Songs by Robert Ashley (Hartono).

With All My Heart (film "Her Master's Voice"); Bird On The Wing (Gross); Moon For Sale (Henderson and Rugen)... with Orchestra.

8.40 Concert Waltzes.

Rosenkavalier Waltzes (R. Strauss)... Bruno Walter conducting the Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra; The Last Waltz (J. Strauss); Donauwienli Waltz (J. Strauss); Edith Lorand Orchestra; North Sea Waves—Waltz (Kranig)... Orchestra Mascotte.

8.50 London Relay—Increased Facilities.

For the passage of wheeled vehicles, for instance velocipedes, invalid chairs, and ambulances; A Programme in celebration of the jubilee of the Pneumatic Tyre, patented by John Boyd Dunlop in 1888. The speakers will include; Mrs. Jean McClintock, the inventor's daughter; Thornton Butler, holder of the world's land-speed record from the house in Belfast where the invention was made.

9.20 Songs by Richard Crooks (Tenor).

One Alone ("The Desert Song"—Romberg); When You're Away ("The Only Girl"—Herbert); You Will Remember Vienna (film "Viennese Nights"—Hammerstein and Romberg)... with Orchestra.

9.30 London Relay—The News.

9.50 Dance Music.

Fox-Trot—Shall We Dance (from the film); Snap That Bus (from "Shall We Dance")... Harry Roy and His Orchestra with vocal refrain; Tango—Siempre Unidos... Orquesta Tipica Francisco Canaro with vocal refrain.

10.0 London Relay—Ups And Downs.

A radio plaything written by W. Farquharson Small and based upon Frank Stockton's short story "A Tale of Negative Gravity". Production by W. Farquharson Small.

10.35 Charpentier—Impressions d'Italie.

Orchestre Symphonique de Paris under the direction of Gustave Charpentier.

11.0 Close down.

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Novelty prizes were presented and the night ends pleasantly were ample evidence that the efforts of the organising Committee, Messrs. Brain, Cawley, Cooper and Duffy, had been appreciated by all.

REFUGEE RELIEF

Further Subscriptions To British Fund

The Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation acknowledges further subscriptions to the British Fund for Relief of Distress in China, Hongkong & South China Branch.

Previously acknowledged	\$208,333.08
J.H. from England	10.24
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Total	\$350,007.47

AMBULANCE BRIGADE

New Centres Being Set Up In Chinese Territory

In a letter to the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, Hon. Secretary of the local branch of the British Fund for Relief of Distress in China, Professor W. I. Gerrard on December 7 appointed as Assistant Commissioner of the St. John Ambulance Brigade in Hongkong, for funds to help in covering the heavy outlay upon relief work in the New Territories. The St. John clinics on the mainland are dealing with huge numbers of refugees and the Medical Department of the Hongkong Government has requested all possible assistance. At the suggestion of the Hon. Director of Medical Services, the St. John Brigade is in charge of the Ellis Bungalow at Fanling, which has been equipped out of the Brigade

funds as a maternity hospital for refugees. A full time medical officer, Dr. Makar, of New Zealand who is on his way back from work in Central China to New Zealand, is in charge of this hospital. Dr. Makar is giving his services but requires all available assistance in the form of supplies and nursing staff. In addition to Dr. Makar there are four nursing staff who need some small remuneration and food supplies. New treatment centres are being established at the request of the Government Medical Department at Namtau, Shaubokok and Shamchun. These are in Chinese territory. The Shamchun centre is to have accommodation for 60 beds. This would be the largest of the three treatment areas. The staffing of which St. John Ambulance Headquarters in Hongkong had been asked by the Government Medical Department to provide. Professor Gerrard pointed out. The staff includes an experienced surgeon and 10 nurses. This entails ample financial provision. Special

Vaccination centres in charge of St. John Ambulance Brigade have been instituted at San Tin, Ha Chuen, Heung On and Lan Fau San.

Kam Tin Maternity Centre

In the Kam Tin Maternity Centre, 32 cases as in-patients were recently being treated.

Extra beds and bedding were purchased out of Brigade funds. Extra expense was being incurred in transporting the excess of maternity cases from Kam Tin centre to either Ellis Bungalow Hospital at Fanling or the maternity centre at Tsuen Wan, the latter also filled beyond capacity.

Since the commencement of the refugee relief measures by the St. John Ambulance Brigade and Association, an excess expenditure of H.K.\$4,000 per month has been incurred.

Professor Gerrard therefore made an urgent plea for a sum of H.K.\$10,000 towards the Brigade's funds. On December 15, the Hon. Mr. Lo sent a cheque for \$10,000, granted from the Fund.

LEPERS CHRISTMAS FUND

The S. C. M. Post has received the following donation to the Lepers Christmas Fund:

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POPE GIVES AUDIENCES

Rome, Dec. 17. Pope Pius XI received several ecclesiastical dignitaries in private audience yesterday.—Trans-Ocean.



Funeral service held in Paris for Ernst vom Rath, German diplomat fatally wounded by Herschel Grynszpan, 17-year-old Polish Jew. Scene is in the German Lutheran church, with Baron Ernst von Weizsaecker, German Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, delivering the sermon. The body later was taken to Dusseldorf, Germany, for burial.

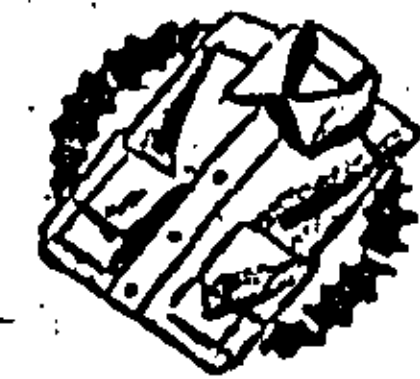
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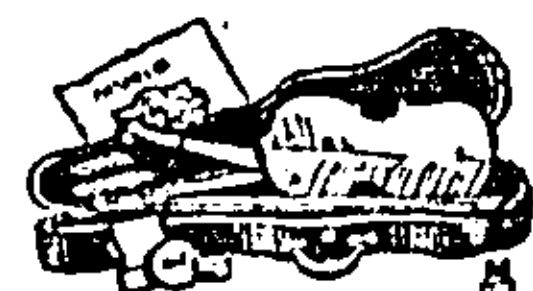
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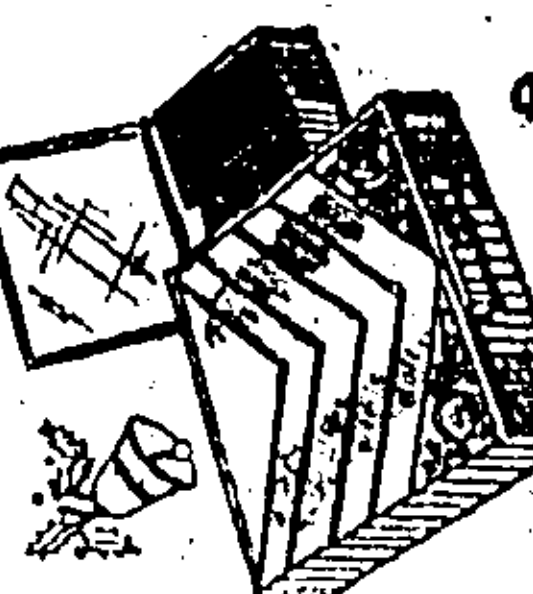


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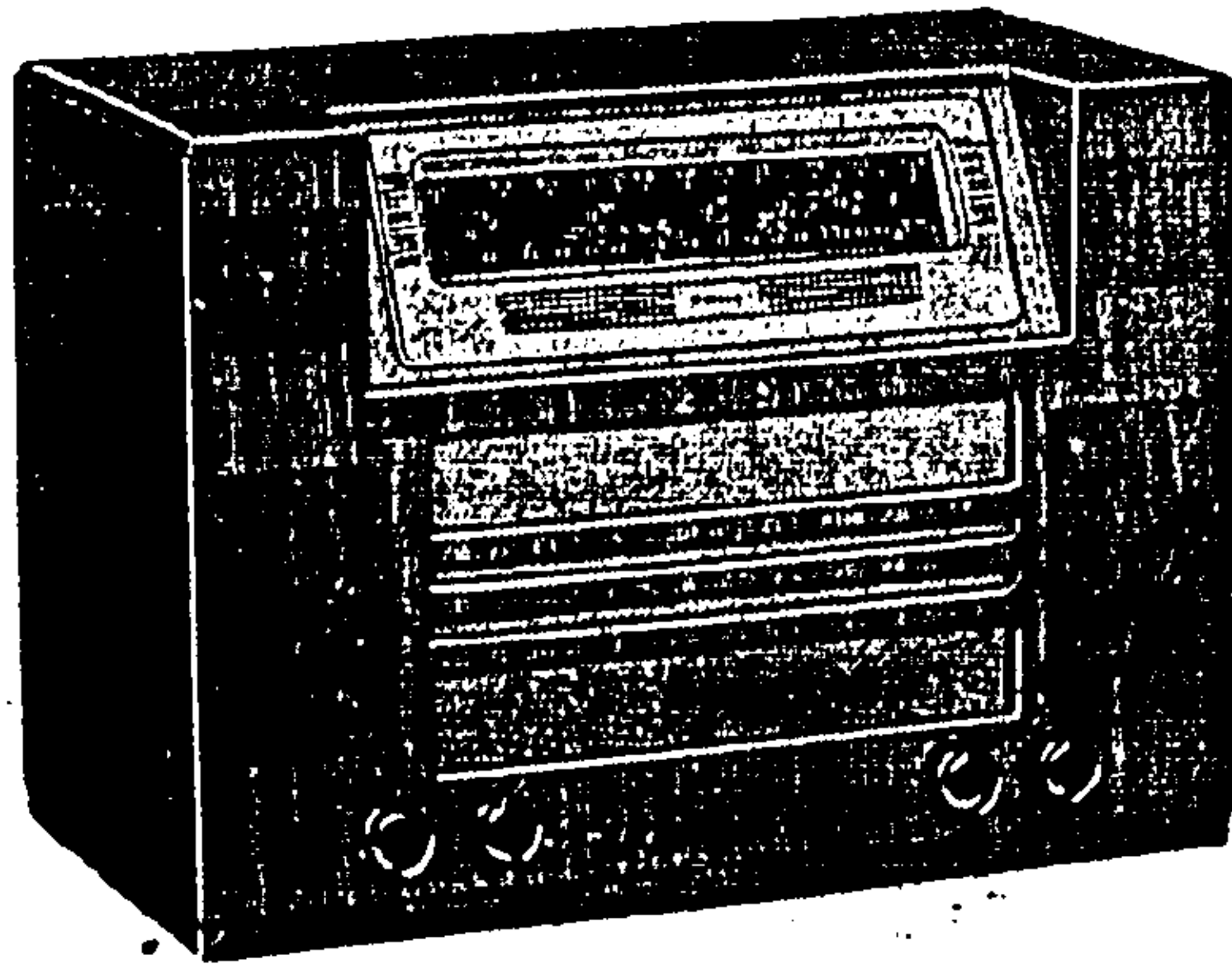
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REFUGEE RELIEF

Post At Shumchun And Shataukok

As from Saturday, the Casino at Shumchun has been made available to refugees for medical service and general relief assistance under the guidance of the Emergency Refugee Council and the St. John Ambulance Association.

A start was made with transporting those Chinese willing to leave the New Territories for Shumchun yesterday when the railway authorities gave assistance with an engine and two trucks. The engine made several trips from Sheung Shui to Shumchun and took over one hundred refugees and their meagre belongings who are establishing themselves in the Casino and adjacent buildings.

The relief centre was established at the Casino early in the day. The Wai Yeung Association of Hongkong had previously established soup kitchens, in Chinese Territory at Shataukok, so that there is now every inducement for the thousands of refugees, encamped in the grass huts or in the open at Sheung Shui, to return to their villages where these lie in the non-occupied zone.

The discovery of a number of cases of Cerebro Spinal Meningitis, Small-pox and Measles among the refugees is a potent reason why the return to Chinese territory is desired by the authorities. Lack of water and of adequate sanitary arrangements call for unremitting vigilance by the medical authorities to prevent these diseases attaining epidemic proportions.

The three camps at Fanling and the one at Kam Tin are still functioning, with but slightly decreased numbers, and the Joseph Memorial Hall is still in use as a hospital. At the Casino, a small observation ward and first aid facilities are available and a strong effort will be made to persuade the refugees that it is quite safe for them to return to their homes in this area.

Labour Shortage
In this connection, the work of the Wai Yeung Association has been particularly commended. This Association has been investigating each village in the Wai Yeung area and, if it is safe, has personally assured the Wai Yeung people that they should return. A good margin is left between safe and suspect territory and the refugees are assisted with passage money if necessary. A large number of the refugees from this district are middle school or university people and they are co-operating in the Association's aims, while for the coolie class refugees there is the inducement of a strong labour demand in the Wai Yeung district.

Arrangements have been made with the Tai Ping Shipping Company by which the Company ferries passengers across Mrs Bay to She Yu Chung twice a day at a fee reduced from 70 cents to 35 cents— which is often paid by the Association in the cases of destitute Chinese.

The position is not quite so happy in Po On district where, despite repeated assurances that the area is devoid of Japanese, the evacuated countryfolk, numbering more than 2,000, are afraid to return from the New Territories. Most of those who do go back merely collect personal effects and return by ferry to On Long. A few days ago, a small accidental fire started and there was immediately a panic-stricken cry that the Japanese were responsible.

The Emergency Refugee Council has plans for establishing a refugee camp at She Hau in Po On to look after returning refugees, and a responsible person will be dispatched there as soon as the association responsible for the natives of this area can induce them to return. It is further hoped to start a similar base opposite Lokmachau.

It has been suggested that the authorities should patrol Deep Bay at this time because of the growing fear of robber pirate in these waters.

INSTRUCTING REFUGEES

Local Women's Associations Start Career Teaching

The destinies of the several hundreds of better educated Chinese who have now been in Hongkong as refugees for over a year, and seem to be permanently domiciled here, has been taken in hand by the Hongkong Chinese Women's Club and the Women's Christian Temperance Union of China local branch.

A scheme costing about \$10,000 a year is being put into operation whereby genuine refugees who cannot return to their native villages in

Children's Sports

Santa Claus Visits The Bowling Green Club

A most enjoyable afternoon was spent on Saturday when the Kowloon Bowling Green Club held their eighth annual children's sports.

By kind permission of Captain E. J. P. Brind and Officers of H.M.S. Birmingham, the Marine Band rendered selections; a special race was arranged for members of the band.

At 6 o'clock the jingle of sleigh bells heralded the approach of Santa Claus, and when he came down the "chimney" he was greeted with gasps of awe from the children.

Mrs. J. D. Thomson distributed the prizes to the following winners:

Potato Race for Boys (8 to 14 years)—
1. P. White; 2. A. Macfarlane.
Skiing Race for Girls (8 to 14 years)—
1. Sturgeon; 2. M. White and F. McKeivie (dead heat).
Flat Race for Boys (4 to 7 years)—
1. Armstrong; 2. J. Logan.
Flat Race for Girls (4 to 7 years)—
1. E. Sherriff; 2. Anne Jeffries and J. Cave (dead heat).
Foot Race for Boys (all ages)—
1. V. Lockhart; 2. J. Sanders.
Egg and Spoon Race for Girls (8 to 14 years)—
1. P. White; 2. M. White.
Wee Toss Race (children under 4 years)—
1. M. Sherriff; 2. M. Morton.
Flat Race for Boys (10 to 14 years)—
1. J. Anderson; 2. S. Clark.
Competition for Members of the Band
Egg and Spoon Race for Girls (4 to 7 years)—
1. D. Judge; 2. L. Cleme; 3. A. McIntyre.
Sack Race for Boys (8 to 14 years)—
1. D. Garton; 2. M. Anderson and J. Lockhart (dead heat).
Musical Chairs for Girls (all ages)—
1. K. Hyde-Lay; 2. J. Thompson; 3. J. Cave.
Three-legged Race for Boys (all ages)—
1. G. Clarke and J. Boyce; 2. V. Lockhart and J. Lanchester.
Flat Race for Girls (8 to 14 years)—
1. M. Campbell; 2. M. White.
Egg and Spoon Race for Ladies—
1. Mrs. A. Atkins; 2. Mrs. A. Morton.

China and who have been more or less stranded in the Colony since the early part of the hostilities will be trained to some useful avocation in workshops and lecture rooms. The first workshop has been opened for women refugees at No. 5-7, Des Voeux Road West.

"As the social and relief problems have now become so acute, and the constant appeals for relief more frequent, the need for a centre of this kind is most urgent," states the Committee. "Our objects are to relieve unemployment for refugees, to instil the spirit of independence and citizenship, to work and give active service in all manner of trades and art."

Compulsory Attendance
The executive Committee is represented by Mrs. Li Fong (Chairman), Mrs. Herman Liu (Secretary), Mrs. Li Shu-pui (Treasurer). The organisation is divided into four sections—Planning Committee which will attend to the technical production and personnel; Business Committee for sales and business; Finance Committee to raise funds for production; Education Committee to educate all workers.

It will be compulsory for all workers to attend classes for two hours a day to gain knowledge in civic education, industrial knowledge in theory and practice, international relationships, public health, life problems, care of children, etc. Applicants must be actual refugees from war areas between the ages of 10 and 50. Each one is required to work eight hours per day, and attend two hours at night lectures. Each worker will be allowed \$5 per month living expenses, and after two months' apprenticeship every person will be given a certain percentage on the sales of her (or his) handwork.

The estimated budget would be \$10,000 per year. At the end of fiscal year any proceeds exceeding \$10,000 will be divided 40% for the expansion of work for the following year, 20% to the staff, 40% to be equally distributed among the workers.

It is understood that the peasantry from nearby areas, such as those now encamped in the New Territories, are outside scheme.



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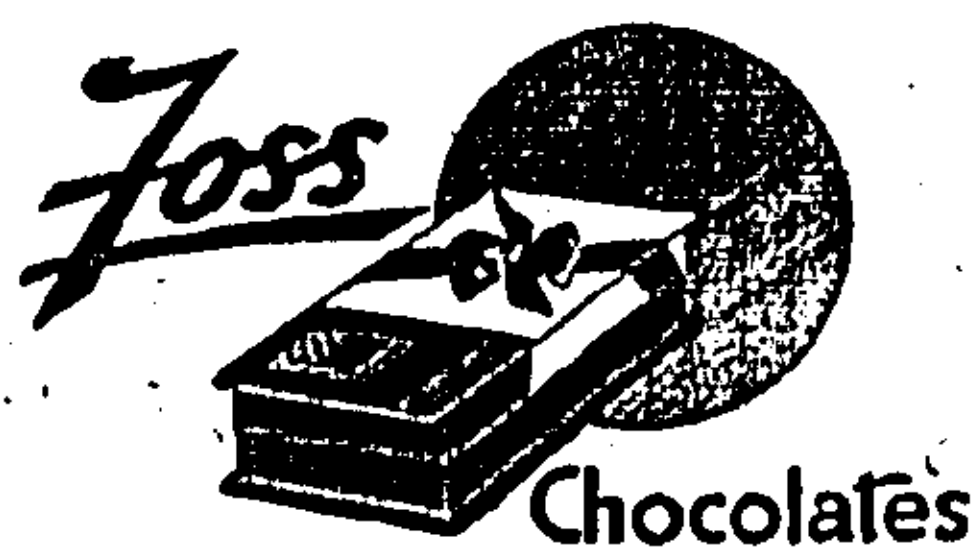
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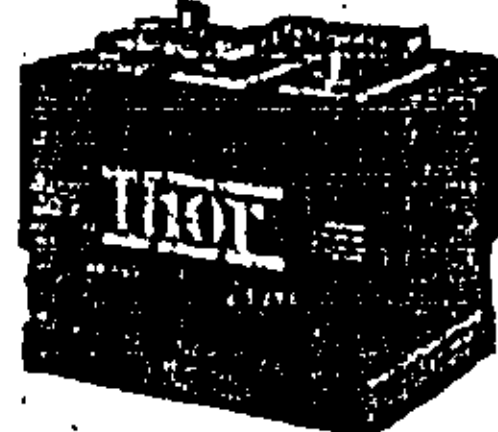


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DEATHS

ISBISTER—On December 17, 1938, at the Queen Mary Hospital, John Duncan Isbister, aged 67 years, late chief engineer of S.S. Kong So, native of Greenock, Scotland. (Shanghai and Singapore papers please copy).

WHITE—On December 18, at Kowloon Hospital, James Sinclair White, aged 64, late Marine Engineer of S.S. Folk On.

On December 19, at Kowloon Hospital, Dorothy White, aged 57 years, beloved wife of James Sinclair White.

Funeral Services at Colonial Cemetery Chapel, Monday, December 19, at 3.15 p.m. (San Francisco, Shanghai and Canton newspapers please copy).

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Street Sellers

WHILE COMMENDING the worthiness of the causes, we cannot refrain from voicing what we believe is widespread exasperation at the methods employed by street collectors for certain charities.

Hundreds of children, many of whom should have been at school, descended on the streets on Saturday to sell roses on behalf of a charitable organisation which, presumably, obtained sanction for the collection from the Commissioner of Police.

We hasten to state, by way of parenthesis, that there is no question whatever regarding the bona fides of any collection previously authorised by the Police.

The methods employed, however, are becoming so menacing that some system of control is not only necessary but imperative.

Few Europeans, especially at this time of the year, refuse to support legitimate collections for charity, and Hongkong can justly say that it meets the many demands made upon its citizens with liberality and good grace.

Good grace was noticeably absent on Saturday, when each European, as he or she stepped from ferry, bus, tram, rickshaw or car, or walked from shop to street, was surrounded by ten or twenty screaming and importuning children, some of whose antics suggested that they had learned their lessons in good manners from the beggar children of Wanchai or West Point.

There is a distinction between an appeal and begging. On some occasions, during recent charity drives, that distinction appears to have been overlooked.

We would suggest that strict control should be exercised by the Police Department in granting permission to organisations to launch street collections. Either school-children should be prohibited altogether from being used as collectors, or the number of collectors should be limited.

AFRICAN ABC

A GERMAN ENVOY arrived in London yesterday. He is there to talk about Colonies.

When Germany discusses colonies she means, first of all, the continent of Africa. That is a part of the world about which we in Hongkong are going to read plenty in our newspapers in 1939.

This article tells you who owns Africa and what its owners get out of it.

Africa has an area of 11½ million square miles. It is owned—with the exception of Egypt, Liberia, and the Union of South Africa—by six Powers, whose total area is 680,000 square miles, seven-tenths and a half times smaller than Africa.

The six Powers are Britain, France, Spain, Italy, Portugal and Belgium. The two Powers richest in African possessions are Britain and France.

France has 4½ million square miles of African territory—37 per cent. of the total continent. Her colonial subjects there number 30 millions.

BRITAIN'S territory extends over 2,682,700 square miles—less than

France, but her native subjects number nearly 92 millions. British Africa, including areas held under League of Nations mandate, consists of Nigeria, and the West Coast colonies; Uganda, Kenya, Tanganyika, and Nyassaland in the east; the self-governing dominion of the Union of South Africa (with its mandated ex-German territory), the Rhodesias; and the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan.

British African colonies produce 42 per cent. of the palm oil, nearly 50 per cent. of the cocoa, and 12 per cent. of the copper in the world.

French African colonies produce 41 per cent. of the phosphates and 13 per cent. of the ground-nuts (for edible oil) in the world.

Belgian Africa, 940,610 square miles in area (eighty-five times larger than Belgium herself), produces eight per cent. of the world's copper.

IN 1938 Kenya, with two battalions of the King's African Rifles permanently stationed there to defend

order, exported 81 million pounds' worth of maize, coffee, sugar, tea, tin ore, cotton and cottonseed (for cultivation), hides and skins, ivory, tow and wool.

Of this colony's 7 million pounds' worth of imports 60 per cent. were purchased from Britain and her possessions.

Exports from the Gold Coast totalled 12½ million pounds, and imports (of which 7½ million pounds' worth came from Britain) 11½ million pounds.

Exports from the Rhodesias totalled 11½ million pounds, imports totalled 9½ millions, and half of them came from Britain.

The total exports of British Africa in 1937 were worth 92 million pounds. Imports totalled 148 million pounds.

An approximate yearly total of exports from French Africa is 55 million pounds' worth, with imports totalling the same.

Belgian African trade amounts to roughly four million pounds in exports and imports of seven million pounds.

Italian exports and imports were two millions and sixteen millions respectively.

Portuguese exports totalled four million pounds' worth and imports three million pounds' worth.

The German Colonial possessions

in Africa handed over at Versailles to the conquering Powers were Togoland and the Cameroons, divided between Britain and France; German East Africa (now Tanganyika) given to Britain, apart from a small piece which fell to Belgium's lot; and German S.W. Africa, which went to the Union of South Africa.

THESE German colonies had a total area of about a million square miles; and their total native population was between eleven and twelve millions.

Of the total of 200 million pounds' worth of exports from all Africa in 1938 only 12 millions were contributed by the ex-German colonies.

Incidentally, the share of the entire African continent in world production is relatively small.

Africa supplies only 3.7 per cent. of the world's raw materials. In 1938 her contribution to world trade was 0.7 of the total compared with Europe's 51.7 per cent.

The most useful thing to do is to quote from an admirably informative two-shilling pamphlet, "Germany's Claim to Colonies," issued by the Royal Institute of International Affairs.

"Judged by their share in world production," says this pamphlet, "the ex-German colonies are at present relatively unimportant sources of raw materials."

THE only two materials of which they provide a large part of the world supply are sisal-hemp (Tanganyika) and vanadium—used for the manufacture of steel (South West Africa).

They also produce about five per cent. of the world's phosphates, palm-oil (chiefly British Cameroons), copra—coconut kernels producing oil for soap, margarine, and candles (chiefly French Guinea), and cocoa (New Guinea and British and French Togo).

"The point in which Germany is interested, however, is the relation of these territories' resources, not to world production, but to her own requirements."

The mandated ex-German territories could (according to figures taken from a German source) supply Germany with more than sufficient sisal, with nearly enough phosphates, and with about one-third of the cocoa, one-seventh of the vegetable oils which she ordinarily requires; while the gold from New Guinea and Tanganyika and the diamonds from S.W. Africa would also be useful.

Dr. Goebbels has declared that "the basic materials of modern industrialism are coal, iron, oil, cotton, rubber and copper." Not in one of these six materials could Germany's requirements be at present met to any serious extent by the Mandated territories.

The total exports of the ex-German colonies in 1938, it is pointed out, amounted to less than one per cent. of Germany's imports.

One other point may be worth a mention in view of Hitler's claims. The budgets of all these territories—except one, the smallest—when they were German possessions showed a steady deficit year by year.

Bible Of 1600 Stolen

Covington, Ky.
 Mrs. George Kirtland, returning from a four-month vacation, reported to police that \$1,000 worth of bibles had been stolen including a 300-year-old German hymnal and Bible.

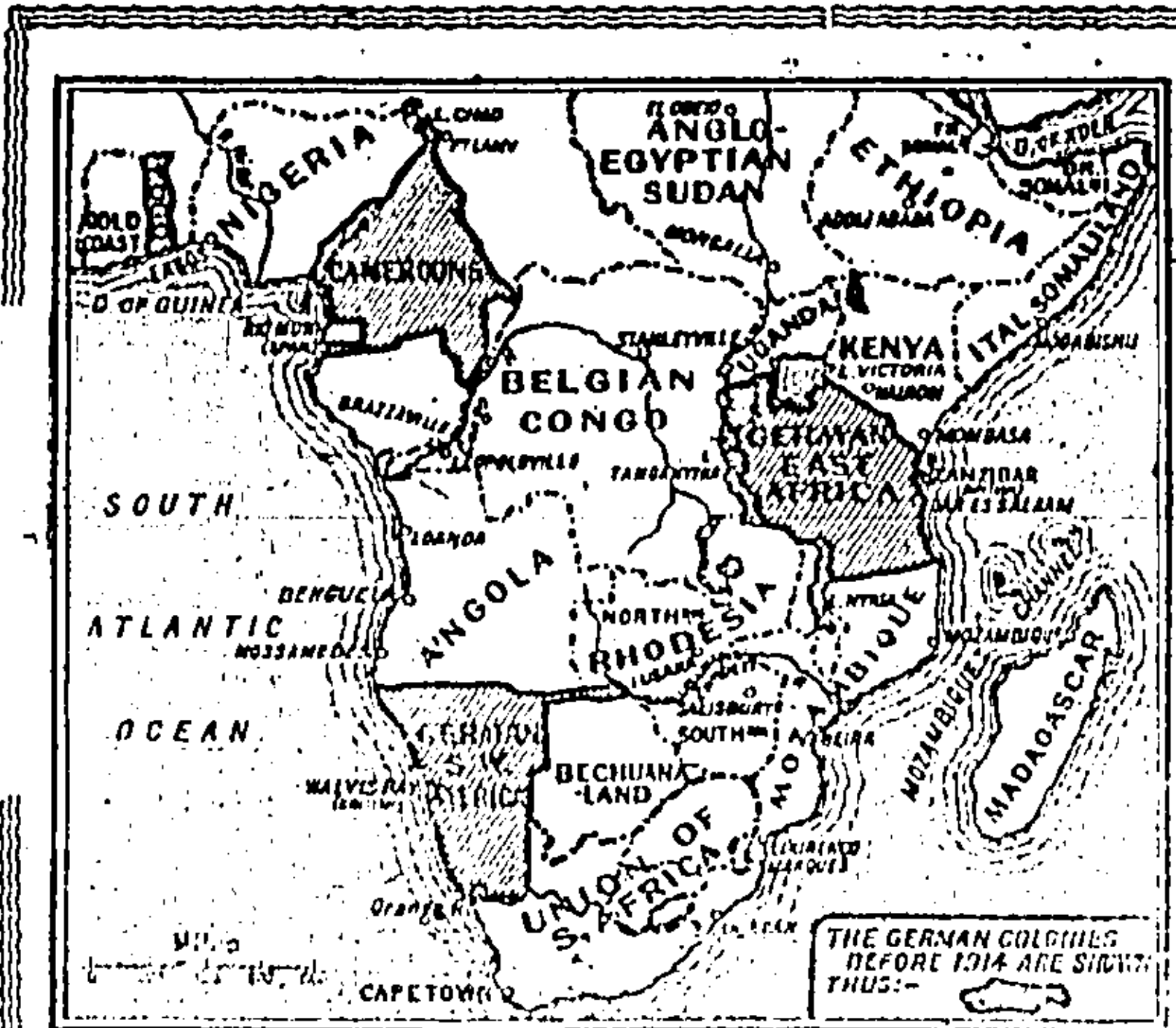
Art Director Decorated

Cleveland, O.
 Sweden, Hungary and Italy have awarded decorations to William M. Milliken, the Cleveland Museum art director, for his services to the arts of the three nations.

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Looking Into The Future

PROPHECY, or the revelation through supernatural inspiration of events to come, has always been a subject with a universal appeal. The possibility that one through the perusal of some ancient text may gain a concrete knowledge of what may be expected to happen is too intriguing to be resisted. Consequently, almost every nation may be said to have its quota of allegedly divinely inspired prophetic works, and these exert tremendous influence wherever they are studied.

Most of these prophetic books originate, of course, in the East; for the Eastern races perhaps enjoy a closer and more perfect communion with Nature, and it is therefore in order that the epintment which produced the great religions of mankind should likewise take the lead in prophecy.

Thus, as is well known, the ancient nation of Israel was distinguished in this respect, and those scriptural portions of the Old Testament which contain prophetic utterances have been greatly revered throughout the ages, and it is commonly believed that very many of them have come true.

THE Chinese, even more perhaps than the ancient Hebrew people, take interest in the prediction of future events, and therefore prophecies of any description have always received the widest circulation. Every word of a forecast of things to come is seized upon with the greatest alacrity, and if any portion of it turns out to be even partially true, it at once becomes sacred in the eyes of the masses of the people.

One of the most famous prophetic books of the Chinese is a little volume known as the "T'ai-pao-t'ao," or "Chart of Opposing Backs," which is said to have been composed by two celebrated individuals, Yuen T'in-kong and Lei Shun-fung, who lived during the fifth century A.D.

These two men were reputed to be deeply versed in the secrets of nature which the Chinese call the *Ng-hang Yam-yeung chi Lei*, or the "Reasons of the Five Elements and the Masculine and Feminine Principles." It is in reality a Chinese theory of the future course of history, and is based upon the hypothesis that every three hundred years, more or less, "a small rebellion is to be expected, and every five hundred years, more or less, a great rebellion." After the latter has subsided, a new government emerges out of the chaos, and the work of tranquillising the country begins.

It is to be expected that the Chinese believe that there are references in this little book to the present crisis, and it is popularly regarded in much the same light as the Apocalypse of St.

John the Divine among Christian people. Unfortunately, however, the language of the book is like that of most oracles such as those of ancient Greece which were composed in such an obscure manner that they might be interpreted to fit any circumstance.

For instance there are some couplets which are interpreted as directly referring to the present conflict, but as the same verses were interpreted some eighty or more years ago to refer to the presence of the English in the Middle Kingdom, it is difficult to place much credence in the present interpretation.

THE Chinese, however, like many superstitious Westerners are accustomed to search through all their prophetic books in order to explain the trend of the times. Consequently, the present national calamity has been thought to have been fore-

By
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 GREGORY**

told five hundred years ago, and by no less a prophet than Lau Pak-wan, a famous worthy of the Yuan or Mongol Dynasty. This individual is credited with being a seer as gifted as the prophet Daniel, and it is interesting to quote the following from a vernacular newspaper relating to the recent discovery of a remarkable prophecy in Siu Hing in Chekiang province:

"On the 24th November, workmen excavating near the base of the Sin Yin Bridge at Lo Fung unearthed a remarkable stone about 2½ feet in length and 1½ feet in breadth upon which were graven the words: 'Woo-t'ing-pei, or 'The Tablet that responds to Heaven.' Further investigation disclosed that the stone bore a prophetic inscription signed by Lau Pak-wan. The inscription was as follows:

'Hei ts'at-ts'at. Tsung ts'at-ts'at. K'ei-Ning-Yuet-Hon. Om mo 't'in yat. Yan Woo Sham-yap. Yat kwoo ts'at-mit. Ng Yuet ying kit. No-lik! No lik!'

'(The war) shall begin with a double seven, and it shall end with a double seven. Upon Chihli, Nanking, Kwangtung and Hankow shall come such darkness as when the sun is obliterated from the heavens. Lure the Huns (i.e. the Japanese) to the heart of the country. Sound the drums and destroy them utterly! Ye heroes of the Kiangs and Kwangs exert all your energy!'

Comment, of course, is superfluous; for, the appearance of such prophetic inscriptions is of

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'Belle Of The Devil' Faces Murder Charge

PARIS.

MOULAY Hassen, once-famous dancing girl, known as the "Belle of the Devil," and the "Woman Landru of Morocco," faced the court at Fez, Morocco, recently, charged with the murder of a woman, a dancer named Cherifa, and complicity in the murder of four others.

Witness after witness in the packed court-room described fantastic orgies which went on in Hassen's secret dance salon in Meknes, scene of the alleged crime.

Colonel Maure, of the French Foreign Legion, in a statement revealed how at Fez in 1932 Moulay Hassen saved 20 French officers from death during rioting.

LED 30,000 MEN

"At that time," he declared, "she ran a night club full of beautiful dancing girls, which was always crowded with French officers and was visited by some of the highest officials of Morocco."

"She was the idol of the wild group of Musahhens known as Almaghaws. I remember her riding at the head of 30,000 of them on their fete day, when they cut themselves with knives to prove their belief that wounds cannot harm them. She wore strings of pearl necklaces and priceless bracelets. Her horse was led by tall Negroes, clad in red and gold."

"By sheer personality she exercised a power over these natives."

STRUCK WITH CLUB

A man named Smalla, who helped to run the salon, has confessed to the police that he was concerned with her in the murder of Cherifa.

He declared, "Cherifa was one of four girls whom Moulay Hassen decided to get rid of. They were desperately ill and half-starved."

"Early on September 21, Moulay picked up a wooden club and stunned Cherifa with a terrific blow on the head. Then she called me and pointing a revolver at me, handed me the club and screamed, 'Kill her or I kill you.' I struck Cherifa again with the club and she fell dead."

"Some days later Moulay Hassen cut up the body and disposed of the pieces in sacks."

It is now alleged that four other girls found dead had met a similar fate.



The Duke of Windsor, wearing service medals, smiles broadly as he greets Sir Eric Phipps, British Ambassador to France, at the Armistice Sunday service in Paris, at the British Embassy church.

Zero Smith Enrolls

TUSCALOOSA, Ala.—A University of Alabama student who entered college this fall had two strikes against him before he started school as far as his chances of making good grades are concerned. His name was Zero Smith, of Birmingham.



Attendants carry the French parachute jumper Denois from a field near Paris, after he made a successful parachute jump from 30,000 feet. His suit resembled that of a deep-sea diver, to protect him against changes in atmospheric pressure. Future stratosphere passengers may wear similar suits. Tests were by the Air Ministry.

LORD NUFFIELD'S GIFT TO STUDENT MOVEMENT \$25,000 For New Building

Technical officers for the F.A.A. will be provided partly from the engineering branch of the Navy, partly by officers of the Air Branch selected for technical work after completing a period of general duty in the Air Branch. Both classes will be qualified pilots and will also be trained in aeronautical engineering.

MAINTENANCE PERSONNEL

The maintenance personnel will eventually be provided by skilled ratings known as air artificers, air fitters, and air riggers, who will enter by passing the usual naval artificer apprentice examination between the ages of fifteen and sixteen. They will be sent to the R.A.F. No. 1 School of Technical Training at Halton for three years, on completion of which they go to sea for a year as air fitters or air riggers. Fifty per cent. of them will then be chosen to become air artificers after a further twelve months' training.

The semi-skilled air mechanics, divided into four branches for air frames, engine, ordnance, and electrical work, are drawn from among the seamen and stokers of the Navy, and are put through courses lasting between seven and twelve months in the R.A.F. establishments at Henlow and St. Athan.

The training of the young officers joining the Air Branch is typical of the inevitable complication of grafting a new and highly-mechanized service on to an older one. For the first three months of their training they are sent to the Hermes for preliminary naval training in navigation, gunnery, seamanship, and the "Customs of the Service."

The next ten or twelve weeks they spend in ab initio flying training at an Elementary and Reserve flying training school run under R.A.F. auspices, where they are joined by officers of the Royal Navy and Royal Marines seconded for flying service, and those ratings chosen to qualify as pilots.

At the end of this period the Air Branch officers becoming pilots go to the R.A.F. Flying Training School at Netheravon for six months, and are trained to the same standard as the R.A.F. pilots. Thence they are sent to Gosport or Donibristle for two or three months' specialised training in Fleet Air Arm work, culminating in a period of deck landing training in an aircraft-carrier, at present H.M.S. Furious.

SKILL OF OBSERVERS

The observers, on the other hand, go to Portsmouth immediately after their period of preliminary training in the Hermes, where they are joined by others drawn from the executive ranks of the Navy. For two and a half months they undergo courses in signals, wireless, and gunnery, preparatory to being drafted to the School of Naval Co-operation at Ford, Sussex, for a period of air training lasting six months.

The work of these Naval observers is even more vital than that of the pilots. They must have a thorough

Lord Nuffield has decided to give £25,000 towards a new building for the Student Movement House—the only international students' club in London. This announcement was made recently by Miss Mary Trevelyan, warden of the movement, at the celebration of the twenty-first anniversary of the club at its premises in Russell Square, London.

The service of rededication was conducted by the Archbishop of Canterbury—21 years to the day after his predecessor, Archbishop Davidson, had first dedicated the premises to the Student Movement.

Miss Trevelyan said that Lord Nuffield was very interested in the welfare of students. "The gift is a splendid twenty-first birthday present, and will mean that the club is saved for future generations of students," she said.

"Our original appeal was for £55,000 for a new building. Towards this we have already obtained £18,000, and Lord Nuffield's donation therefore brings our total to £43,000. The new building, it is hoped, will be erected somewhere near London University and will include a big hall, restaurant, and library."

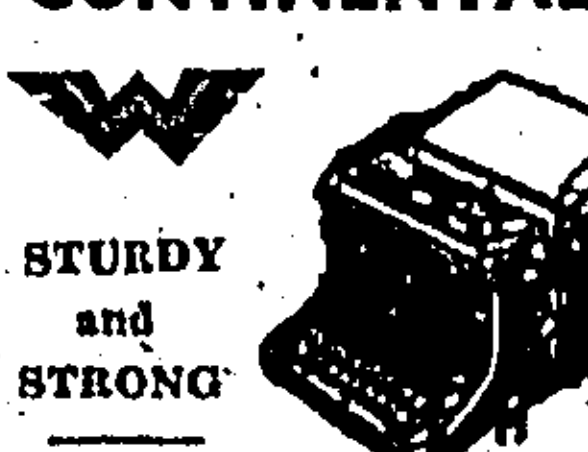
"Since it was started in 1917, in memory of students who fell in the war, the club has had a steady membership of about 1,000, among whom are students from sixty different countries. At the moment, for instance, we have working together Chinese and Japanese, Jews and Arabs."

In the last eleven years Lord Nuffield's known benefactions have been £13,000,000. A few days ago a gift of £500,000 to provide at least one "iron lung" apparatus for every hospital in the British Empire was announced.

Knowledge of wireless and communication procedure, of gunnery, with particular application to spotting the fall of shot, of the appearance of British and foreign ships of all sorts from the air, and of air gunnery and bombing. Since Naval aircraft fly over a trackless ocean some hundreds of miles from their parent ships, they must be something more than merely competent navigators, while in reporting the manoeuvres of an enemy fleet they are expected to give an opinion as to what these movements may portend.

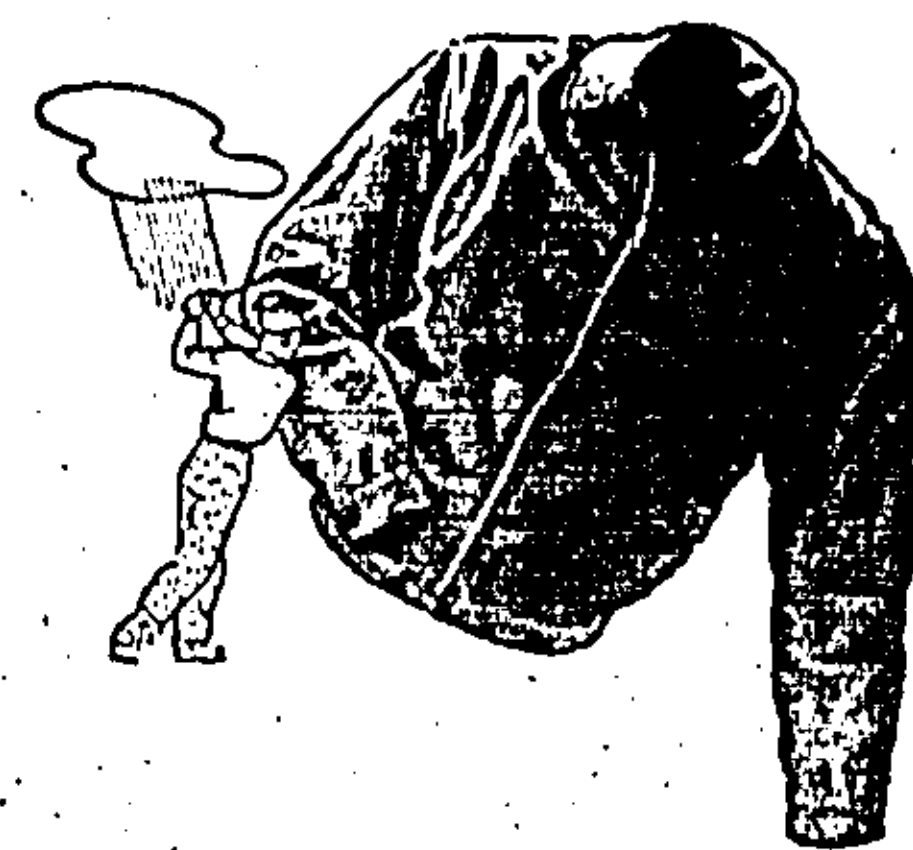
Indeed, crisscrossed, cabined, and confined in the narrow seat of a bucking aeroplane travelling at perhaps two hundred miles an hour, with parachutes strapped on their backs, Naval observers must not only make intelligible wireless signals and receive them, but must be prepared to use their bombs or machine guns, to see everything on the sea beneath or in the air above it, and to know the meaning of all they see. In short, so much depends upon them, their own lives and those of their pilots included, that to do their job successfully they must be paragons of nearly all the virtues that exist.

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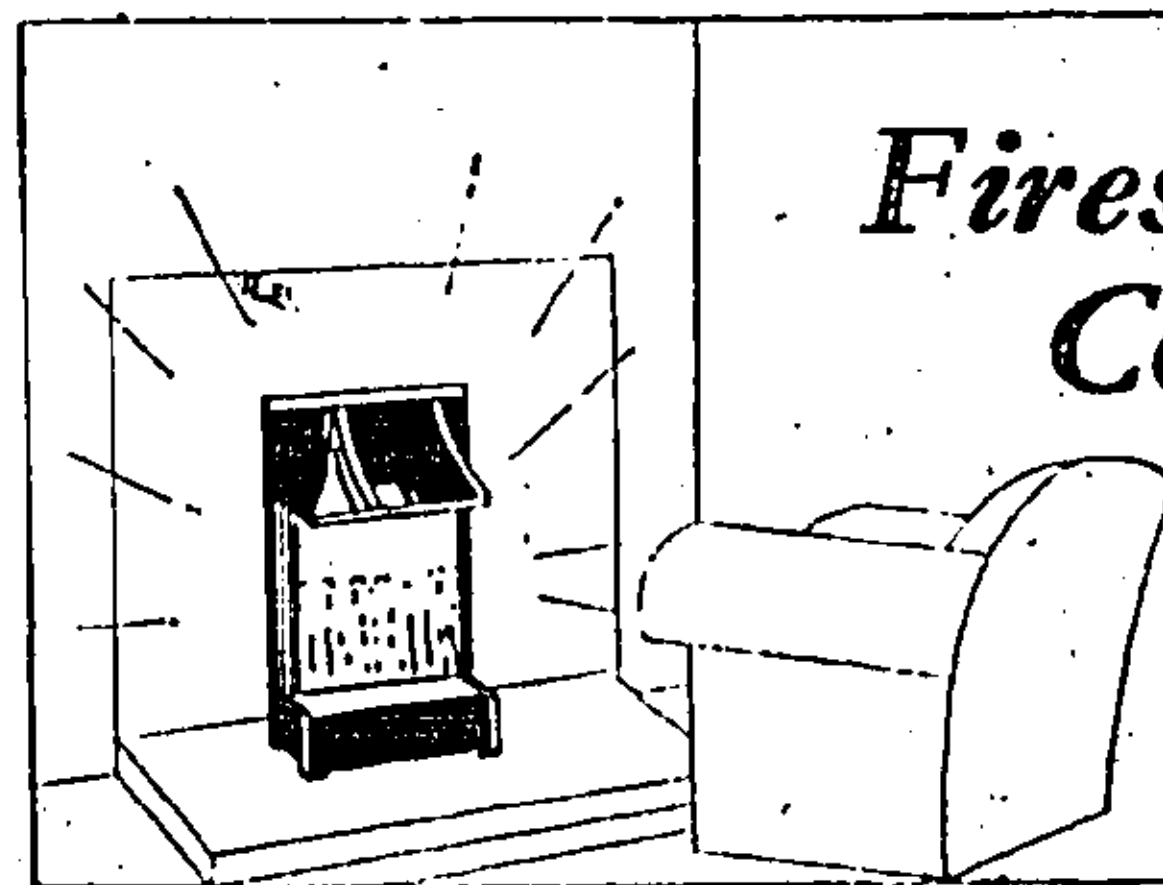
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ART EXHIBITION

Curious for New York And Paris Bazaars

Hongkong art lovers were delighted yesterday with their first glance at a wide collection of Chinese exhibits for the bazaars in New York and Paris in aid of Chinese wounded soldiers and refugees. The exhibition is being held at the Chinese Y.W.C.A., Bonham Road.

Streams of visitors poured into the hall where more than 2,000 curious and exquisite articles of Chinese make were on display. A small bronze vase about 2,400 years old, labelled with a minimum price of \$800 featured the magnificent stall of the Chinese National Women's Relief Association, which won the first honour in the campaign for its collection of no fewer than 1,000 exhibits. Other exhibits which attracted keen attention included Chinese paintings, embroidery and jade objects.

In an interview with the Central News Madame Sun Yat-sen, Chairman of the Hongkong Relief Bazaar Committee, expressed gratification with the enthusiastic and arduous work done by the Chinese women here. She said that they not only devoted much of their time to collecting exhibits for the bazaars but even contributed many of their own valuable art objects which they would not have given away were it not in support of the national cause.

A glowing tribute was paid by Madame Sun to Madame C. C. Wu, who collected the largest number of exhibits on behalf of the Chinese National Women's Relief Association and played an important role in preparing the preliminary exhibition, also to Mrs. Li Shu-Id who personally contributed several hundred curios and ancient paintings.—Central News.

The bazaars are being held on the suggestion of Mme. Sun Yat-sen.

The New York bazaar will be sponsored by the China Aid Council and the American Friends of the Chinese People. In Paris, the sponsors are M. Edouard Herriot and M. Etienne Constant. The Relief Bazaar Committee which has collected the exhibits is composed of five Chinese women's relief organizations in Hongkong.

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WEDNESDAY QUEEN'S

Canada Will Train British Pilots

London. Canada is to help Britain by training thousands of young men as air pilots.

They will be taught at civil training schools and also at the aerodromes of the Royal Canadian Air Force, writes a Home correspondent.

Plans are well advanced for the supply to Britain of fast Canadian bombers and fighters, and further ways of employing Canadian resources to supplement our own gigantic expansion programme are being investigated.

A large foundation order has already been given for bombing machines which can fly the Atlantic. Orders for the types will probably follow as the Canadian industry is built up.

The same manufacturing methods as those in our shadow-factory scheme are to be employed.

Within two years the Royal Air Force should have substantial reinforcements from Canada both in machines and pilots.

EMPIRE NEWS

BAN ON PAINTED NAILS

Cape Town. It is announced that women who join in the official festivities to welcome the Voortrekker Centenary ox-wagons in Johannesburg may not smoke or paint their finger-nails.

Swiss Won't Have Anti-Semitism

The Swiss Government has announced the introduction of legislation forbidding participation in any action against democracy.

It also forbids participation in any agitation against citizens of a different race or in such agitation as anti-Semitism.

THE NAVY AND ITS AIR ARM

GREAT WORK OF EXPANSION SURVEY OF PROGRESS

In July, 1937, it was announced that the Fleet Air Arm was to be transferred to full Admiralty control. In a very short time its strength in "first line" aircraft will be greater than that of the Royal Air Force before the air expansion started in 1936. The Navy Estimates for 1938 set aside the sum of £5,718,000 for the Fleet Air Arm, all but £618,000 of this amount being earmarked for material—principally aircraft.

The orders relative to the formation of what is really a new Service within the Navy have appeared, but in February last it was announced that the Fleet Air Arm would be officered partly by officers of the Royal Navy and Royal Marines specialising in air work; partly by officers serving in a "Short Service Air Branch," and employed entirely on naval air duties.

PILOTS AND OBSERVERS

The Admiralty already had its corps of naval pilots and observers, but in February last it was announced that the Fleet Air Arm would be officered partly by officers of the Royal Navy and Royal Marines specialising in air work; partly by officers serving in a "Short Service Air Branch," and employed entirely on naval air duties.

Candidates between the ages of 17½ and 23 would be entered as midshipmen (A) or sub-lieutenants (A) for a normal period of seven years, of which the first two would be spent in naval and flying training. Thereafter, they would serve for eight years on an emergency list, during which they must keep themselves in flying practice and undergo periodical training.

By arrangement with the Air Ministry, a limited number of R.A.F. officers serving, or having served, on short service commissions, were also permitted to transfer to the Air Branch, Royal Navy.

The current Navy List shows one captain, 31 lieutenants, 58 sub-lieutenants, 32 acting sub-lieutenants,

and 53 midshipmen, all of the new Air Branch. This number will presently be increased by many new entries.

Very briefly, naval ratings of the seamen, signal and telegraphist branches with certain qualifications between the ages of twenty-one and twenty-four, may become pilots in the Fleet Air Arm. They undergo flying training on shore lasting one year, followed by eight weeks at sea in a training carrier. The normal period of flying service, before passing on to a flying reserve, is seven years, though this may be extended.

R.N.V.R. (AIR BRANCH)

A recent Admiralty announcement inaugurated an Air Branch of the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve for candidates between the ages of seventeen and twenty-three, who will be enrolled as midshipmen (A) and sub-lieutenants (A). They will undergo a preliminary full-time training of eighteen months with the usual pay and allowances of their rank.

Thereafter pilots will be required to keep themselves in flying practice, and all officers will do annual or biennial training. After the first ten years' service officers may volunteer for further periods as R.N.V.R. (A) officers for ground duties.

This scheme provides a valuable flying reserve, and offers excellent training to young men leaving their public schools or universities who wish to take up aero-nautics as a profession, or to indulge in flying as a hobby.

Air gunners are provided from the seamen, signal and telegraphist branches of the Royal Navy, the men having to possess certain qualifications and to be not more than twenty-two years old. They undergo a special course lasting about eight months in air gunnery and the operation of wireless, and afterwards serve in aircraft-carriers or ships fitted with catapults.

After eighteen months' service about they may be selected to qualify as "Observers' Mates" after a further course of about seven months. Warrant rank as Boatswains (O) will eventually be open to these ratings.

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JEWISH REFUGEES FOR SHAI

Italian Liner Brings Party Of 528

Hangling in age from a man of 68 years to a boy of three months and including one family of 16, German Jewish refugees to the number of 528 passed through Hongkong by the Lloyd Trieste liner Conte Biancamano yesterday on their way to Shanghai.

Unlike those who have recently been arriving in small parties and who were able to save a little capital, those on the Conte Biancamano are mostly very poor, some of them having only the clothes they wear. Their number was greater when they left Europe, but about 40 of them landed at ports en route. None landed at Hongkong.

Very few of the refugees can speak English at all; so that they welcomed representatives of the Hongkong Jewish Relief Society who met them at the ship and gave them full information about Shanghai, telling them that they would be met there and assisted by the Jewish Refugee Committee. For the most part they remained near the ship, buying an occasional blanket, where they could afford it, from the wharf hawkers.

The very needy found a friend in Mr. A. Landau, who was present on the wharf with a great basket containing 120 blankets. Through one of the refugee passengers who knew the circumstances of those on board he distributed these to the most necessitous cases, with special consideration for those with children. Many of the refugees were completely unacquainted with the rigours of winter in Shanghai and were glad of the gift of a blanket. The donor intends to meet every ship bringing refugees, and give what relief he can.

From Concentration Camps

The refugees included about 40 Jews who had been detained in concentration camps. Some of these declared that they had been released on condition they left the country within a certain brief time; those who could not escape by then were returned to the camps. These and many of the others, they stated, had been stripped of their belongings when they crossed the frontier of Germany.

Several described actual instances of persecution, one stating that he had been a man forced into a box padded with nail points; the lid was then closed down on him.

"What you read in the papers is not nearly so horrible as what has been happening," one said. "The Jews are the victims of a murder organisation which has nothing to do with the real German public. For the people of Germany we have no

ROBBER BEHEADED

Car Bandit in Germany Pays Penalty

Nuremberg, Dec. 17. Within a few hours of being sentenced for highway robbery, the car bandit Willy Haller, aged 24, was beheaded at midnight. His girl accomplice was also sentenced to death but was saved from the headman's axe at the last minute by Hitler, who commuted the sentence to life imprisonment.—Reuter

"hatred and they have no hatred for us."

A man who had spent 10 weeks in a concentration camp stated that the beating and abuse were so ruthless that of 1,300 people in one of these camps 211 had died in 10 weeks. With eloquent gestures, some described how they had seen their fellows hanging from trees, either by the necks or, for torture, by the wrists.

The arrival of the Conte Biancamano's party will bring the total of Jewish refugees in Shanghai to over 1,000, and a number as great or greater is expected to pass through Hongkong by another ship in the near future.

Position in Shanghai

Advices from Shanghai state that the International Committee for Austrian and German refugees has only \$3,000 in hand. This is expected to last only till the end of the year. The American Red Cross is being asked to assist with monetary support until the present reserves are exhausted. So far \$42,000 has been raised in Shanghai; most of this was given by 20 individuals.

The London Committee for Refugee Relief sent £500, and an urgent appeal to the Joint Distribution Committee of New York resulted in a grant of U.S. \$2,500. Every penny of this foreign money has already been spent.

Housing the new arrivals is one of the local committee's greatest worries. So far most of the refugees have been sheltered in three or four houses in Hongkong, but conditions are reported to be unsatisfactory. It is contended that the only possible way to house the refugees is through the renovation of existing houses in Shanghai, and in some instances this necessitates the providing of furniture and other equipment. The fact that such a large group is arriving during the winter months will also contribute to the hardship of the refugees, for at present the high price of coal makes heating a costly item.

One of the first sights which confronted the refugees when they berthed in Hongkong yesterday was the standard from whose influence they had fled in dread—the Swastika. This symbol, on a big scale, appeared on the side of the steamer Sauerland, which was tied up nearby.



This mass of ruins is all that is left of a village on the Ebro front in northern Spain, after a heavy bombardment by insurgent artillery in an effort to dislodge the Loyalists from positions they gained last summer. A communiqué from Barcelona later admitted Loyalist forces had retreated across the river to former positions.

Y'S MEN'S CLUBS

New Regional Director For China

At the sixteenth annual convention of Y's Men's Clubs held in Toronto some weeks ago, Mr. Y. Lewis Mason of Shanghai was elected Regional Director for China, succeeding Mr. Wm. Yinson Lee, the founder of the Y's Men's Movement of "Fellowship, Culture and Service" in China, who has held this position continuously since 1924. In recognition of his continuous service, he has been appointed at the same Toronto Convention, Regional Director-Emeritus for China.

Mr. Y. Lewis Mason is a native of Tsing Kiangsu, a graduate of the Tsing Hua College, B.A. from Colorado College, M.A. from Columbia University and M.C.S. from the New York University. Returning to China twelve years ago, he organized the Consolidated National Advertising Company of which he is a director and manager. He was a president of the Shanghai Y's Men's Club in 1936, is a director of the Shanghai Chinese Y.M.C.A. and has been chairman of the Shanghai Y's Men's Baby Clinic, succeeding Mr. Wm. Yinson Lee in 1935.

POLICE DANCE

A Police Dance will be held in the Peninsula Hotel on January 6 next, from 9.15 p.m. to 2 a.m.

There will be "spot" prizes and the price of admission will be \$2.

Car Handle Clue

Woman's Injuries Lead To Police Inquiry

A door handle broken from a car is the clue on which traffic police are working to clear up the mystery of a Chinese woman's injuries shortly after midnight Saturday at the junction of Arsenal Street and Queen's Road East.

The woman Chang Yan, was found on the corner where extensive alterations to the route are proceeding, at about 12.30 a.m. She was seriously injured apparently as a result of being knocked down by a car, for a door handle, newly broken, was found at the spot. This clue was picked up by a Petty Officer of the Royal Navy with whom the Traffic Inspector at the Central Police Station would like to get in touch.

The Inspector would also welcome news of any car that is minus a door handle and may be connected with the accident.

MOTOR CARS STOLEN

Two Europeans Lose Their Vehicles

Mr. S. J. G. Burt, of 1 Tramway Path, had his motor car stolen on Friday night, but recovered it on Saturday. It was found abandoned

RETURN TO SHANGHAI

Seventh Day Adventists' Eastern Academy

Thirty-two students—16 boys and 16 girls—were aboard the Indo-China company's new steamer Talsang when he sailed for Shanghai yesterday. Flight, departure marked the return to Shanghai of the Far Eastern Academy of the Seventh Day Adventist Mission after its location in Hongkong for some months.

The academy was transferred from Shanghai when hostilities extended into the Yangtsepo area. At Shanghai its headquarters here were in premises formerly a private residence at Laih Tai, Castle Peak.

The school's return to Shanghai accompanies the transfer back of the Seventh Day Adventist Church organisation headquarters.

The students were accompanied by the Principal of the Academy, Mr. W. F. Anderson, and four other teachers. Two teachers travelled by the Conte Biancamano and the remainder of the pupils and teachers will travel by the Conte Rosso after Christmas.

In the Peak district, and a ring with three keys was missing.

Dr. E. W. Stout, of Alexandra Building, also lost his motor car on Saturday. It was left parked in Connaught Road Central from 3.15 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Ostracised Jews

Italian Government To Expropriate Land

The new Italian regulations regarding Jewish land property in Italy include methods whereby the property can be expropriated, says Reuter Bulletin.

Of Austria's 300,000 Jews, 67,000 emigrated during the period between March 15 and December 2.

Over 45,000 Jews left the country before August 1, 1938 as refugees without permission of the state authorities, says a Trans-Ocean message from Vienna.

Posters are beginning to appear at numerous shopwindows in Rome, Milan and other Italian cities stating that owners are Aryans, says Trans-Ocean.

Over 4,000 Jews from Europe will land in Shanghai in the near future revealed the spokesman of the Japanese Foreign Office in Tokyo.

Arrest of Smugglers

Cologne, Dec. 17.

About 10,000 marks worth of foreign currency and gold coins to the value of 800 marks which were being smuggled abroad were found hidden aboard the Dutch Rhine steamer Queen Emma by German custom guards.

Five Jews who were being taken to Holland contrary to existing regulations were also discovered on the ship, which has been confiscated. Four members of the crew and a woman passenger, alleged to be the leader of a gang of smugglers, have been arrested.—Trans-Ocean.

Doctor Shot Dead

Lausanne, Dec. 17.

The Chief physician of Lausanne University Clinics, Doctor Mean, was shot dead at the Cantonal Hospital by a medical student, Ernst Gruenberg, 26-year-old Rumanian Jew. Gruenberg committed suicide after the murder. He wanted to graduate and felt unfairly treated by Dr. Mean.—Trans-Ocean.

APPOINTMENTS

The Rt. Rev. Bishop H. Vallorta and Mr. Li Jowson have been nominated as members of the Court of the University of Hongkong for a further period of three years as from December 17.

Mr. H. V. Wilkinson, D.S.O., has been nominated as a member of the Court of the University of Hongkong for a period of three years as from December 8.

Mr. Charles J. Roe has been appointed to act as Secretary to the Urban Council as from December 15.



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CANTON TO MACAO Japanese to Commence Steamer Service

Canton, Dec. 18. The Japanese will begin a regular steamer service between Canton and Macao on Tuesday for Chinese and Japanese passengers only.

The five-barred Chinese flag made its first appearance on buildings today since the revolution.—Reuter.

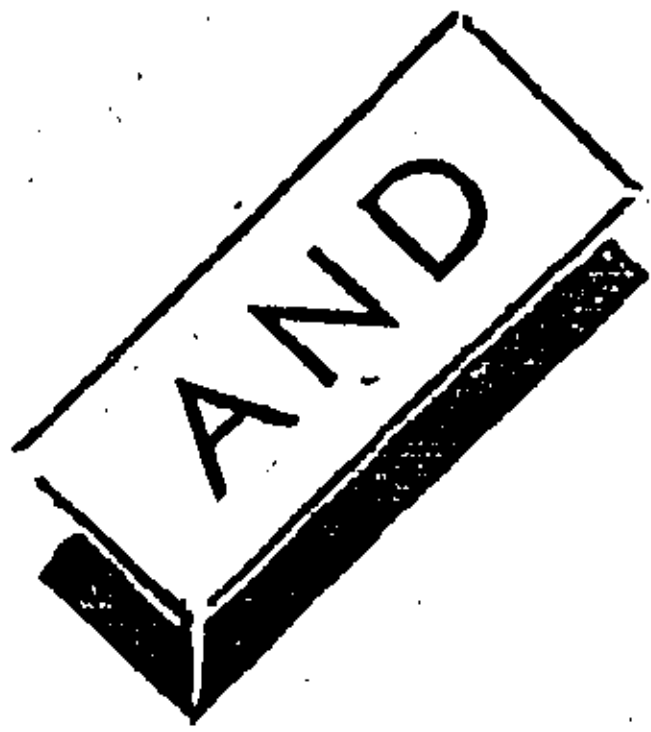
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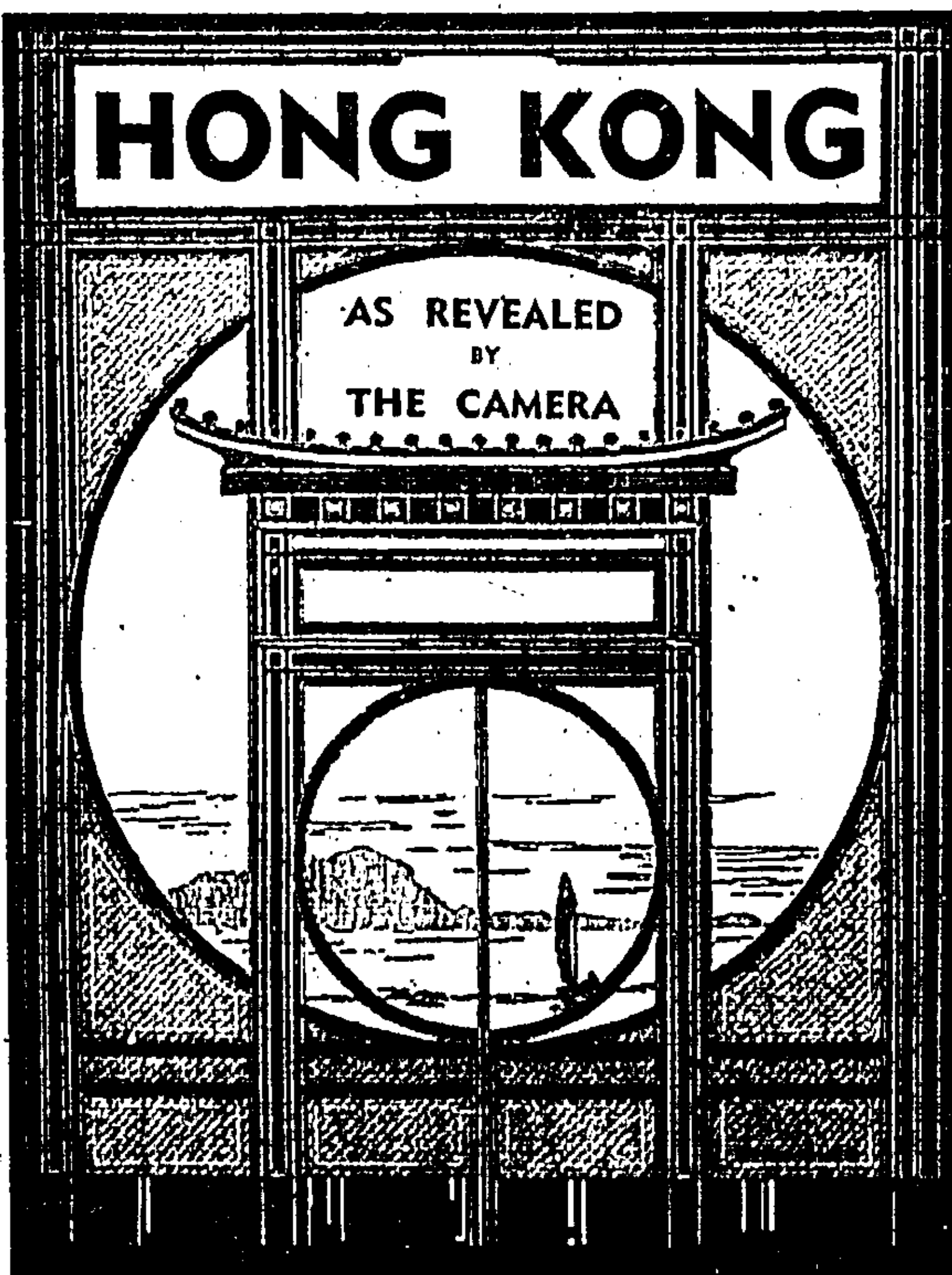
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HONGKONG SURPRISES: NO MAILS ARRIVE

Delivery From Bangkok Expected To-day

Contrary to expectations air mails from Australia and England failed to arrive either on Saturday or yesterday. It was at first intended to send the mails from Bangkok on Saturday, and next that at least the Australian mails should be sent yesterday. Now it is proposed to send both Australian and English mails to-day.

The delay has been due to the need to keep sufficient planes at Bangkok to take whatever weight of mail matter the planes from England brought. If two planes could have taken the English load it was proposed to send the Australian mails yesterday.

The final decision was to await the arrival of the English mails and a full delivery will be made to-day. As many planes will travel from Bangkok as are needed to transport the load.

The next mail flight from Hong Kong will be to-morrow morning.

Hongkong Surprise

It was revealed on December 2 that Britain's first air mail Christmas postings from England to the Empire had already exceeded 60 tons—about 4½ million letters.

Since this is the first Christmas period in which the all-up air mail scheme has operated to Australia, New Zealand, the Far East and India, as well as to Africa, the task of the Post Office and Imperial Airways in estimating the expected loads was an extremely difficult one.

It was estimated that a further weight of between 100 and 170 tons would be despatched from England in the four weeks of December.

Imperial Airways carried out of England just over 23 tons of mails in the week to November 13, 20½ tons in the week to November 20, and 31 tons in the week to November 27.

The total is only about 2½ tons more than the estimate for the three weeks.

Hongkong, newest of the territories in the all-up scheme, provided the biggest surprise with mails, at 2½ tons, nearly twice as heavy as expected.

BY AIR FRANCE

The following passengers left by the Air France plane Ville de Bayreuth on Saturday morning for Hanoi: Mr. C. E. Van Sickle, Mr. W. J. Crosswell, Mr. Van de Broek and six Chinese passengers.

CONDOR CREW LEAVES

The crew of the German Focke-Wulf plane Condor which after a hard flight from Berlin to Tokyo, had to make an emergency landing on the sea near Manila, sailed for home on board the s.s. Seharhorst to-day, and will arrive at Genoa on January 6.

No decision has yet been made regarding the shipping back of the plane.—Trans-Ocean.

NORTH POLE SERVICE

Soviet Planes May Link New York and Moscow

Helsinki (Finland), Dec. 17. A report that the Soviet has decided to inaugurate a regular Moscow-New York air service, across the North Pole, in 1939, is published in the newspaper Hufvudstads Bladet.

The reports says that three giant planes at present are being built powered with three engines of 1,000 horse-power each and capable of carrying 42 passengers and six crew. The planes, says the paper, will be ready in May, 1939, and will make several trial flights before the regular service is begun.—Reuter.

LONDON-LISBON SERVICE

A new regular air service between London and Lisbon is to be opened on January 2.

The distance of roughly 900 miles will be covered within five hours in a non-stop flight by twin-engine Lockheed machines.

Letters will be carried at regular rates without air mail fee. The line, London to Lisbon, is the first stage of a planned regular air route from London to South America to be opened during 1939.—Trans-Ocean.

PLANES DROP SUPPLIES

Darwin, Dec. 17. Food and water supplies have been dropped from the air for the four members of the crew of the stranded Vickers Wellesley bomber, down in North-west Australia.

A rescue expedition, mounted on camels, has set out across the desert.

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OBITUARY

Old Colony Resident Dies In Hospital

Mr. James Sinclair White, one of Hongkong's oldest European residents, formerly chief engineer of the steamer Pook On, died at Kowloon Hospital yesterday. One of three brothers born in Hongkong and well-known in the Far East, the late Mr. White was nearly 70 years of age. He was a brother of Mr. Frank W. White.

Son of Lieut. J. R. White, R.N., the late Mr. White was the father of Mr. W. J. White, of the Harbour Department, Mrs. M. Gertrude White and Mr. V. H. White.

The funeral takes place this afternoon, at 5.15 p.m.

CHINA COAST ENGINEER

Death on Saturday Of Mr. J. D. Tishler

Mr. John Duncan Tishler, Chief Engineer of the s.s. Kong So, who was held in high regard on the China Coast, died at Queen Mary Hospital on Saturday morning. The burial took place at the Colonial Cemetery on Saturday afternoon, the Rev. Cyril Brown, of the Seamen's Institute, conducting the service.

The Chief Mourner was the deceased's brother, Captain C. S. Tishler.

Among those who attended the funeral were Captain W. E. Kirby, Captain C. W. Shearer, Captain H. Grimthwaite, Messrs. G. L. Kinlock, D. G. Will, A. H. Brown, W. C. Forsyth, J. F. Halle, C. Stenborg, A. N. MacKenzie, and Peter Wilson.

Floral tributes were sent from "Margaret," "George," "George," "Charles," the Marine Engineers' Guild, Captain and Officers of s.s. Sai On, Chaplain, Manager and Staff of the Sailors and Seamen's Institute, Hongkong, and many others.

MRS. WONG PING-SHUN

The death of Mrs. Wong Ping-shun, wife of Mr. Wong Ping-shun, J.P., Comptroller of Mackinnon Mackenzie and Company, occurred at her residence, No. 6 Sui Wa Terrace, yesterday.

The funeral will take place to-morrow, leaving the residence at 2.30 p.m., ground floor, and arriving at Yat Pit Ting at 2.30 p.m.

SUPREME COURT HOLIDAY

It is notified that the offices of the Supreme Court will be upon daily from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. during the Christmas Vacation, except on public and general holidays, when the offices will be entirely closed, and on Saturdays when they will be open from 10 a.m. to noon. The Christmas Vacation begins on December 24, 1938, and terminates on January 2, 1939, (both days inclusive).

and the crew are considered to be in no danger.—Trans-Ocean.

AIR SERVICE

Arrivals and Departures Of Planes

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For U.S.A., via Manila, Honolulu, Guam: Pan American China Clipper 9.30 a.m. December 20.

Inward

From London, Australia and British Countries: Imperial Airways. Dardanus, 5 p.m. December 19; Imperial Airways Della, Delphinus 5 p.m. December 22.

From Chungking, Yunnanfu, Kweilin: C.N.A.C. Eurasia Services indefinite.

From U.S.A., via Honolulu, Guam, Manila: Pan American China Clipper 12.30 p.m. December 28.

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**LEE WAI-TONG SCORES
TWICE FOR CHINESE**

The Navy overwhelmed the Army by 32 points to nil in the Triangular Rugby Tournament on Saturday. Picture shows Mount Lewis finding touch with a happy kick.—Photo by A. A. Kahn.

STILL SIZING UP THEIR OWN SIDES

Many Changes In Batting And Bowling Orders

Goal-scorers were Gurb Singh (3), Awtar Singh (3) and

(By "The Pilgrim")

An important match in the "A" Division of the Badminton League will be played this evening when the University "A" visit the Chinese Y.M.C.A.

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MEMORANDUM

St. Louis.
Emmett Manes, 22, lost four fingers when his right hand was caught in a punch press he was operating. A few minutes later he suffered head lacerations when he was thrown through the windshield of an automobile in which he was being rushed to a hospital. The automobile skidded and struck the rear end of a truck.

Brush For Beauty

USING a brush for beauty! Our grandmothers would have been horrified at the very thought. Yet to-day, when women are better looking and younger looking than ever they were, good brush-work counts for such a lot. Hair that is regularly brushed in the sunniest and healthiest, and the same applies to complexions. Your skin cannot be really clean nor your make-up well-groomed without the aid of at least two brushes.

Most of us nowadays use a complexion brush to remove surplus powder and tidy up the face generally. After powder has been pressed on to the skin with a large soft puff, the brush spreads it evenly and leaves a soft matt surface with no hint of patches and caking. It prevents that "scrubbed on" look that badly made-up faces have.

But the other complexion brush does even more valuable work. Skin specialists tell us that many men have excellent healthy skins because of the stimulating massage-effect of their shaving brushes. The action of the bristles stirs up the sluggish glands and nerves beneath the skin; the soap and warm water whirled round in the brush cleans the face as nothing else can. Hence there are fewer men than women who reach middle-age with double chins and sagging face contours.

Regular Facial Treatment

As a result of this, nowadays beauty specialists are advocating regular facial treatments with a soaped brush. It is excellent for greasy and rather heavy skins, if you use a special skin brush and a really good superfatted or cream soap. Once a week is enough for the average complexion; twice if your skin is very oily.

Use tepid water only and work up a very mild lather. Brush with a circular movement for about a minute, then wash off very thoroughly with warm water. Never allow the soap to dry on your skin, and complete the stimulation by brush. Finish with the brush dipped in cold water to close the pores.

Face brushing is best done at night after the skin has been cleansed with a good quality cold cream. Wipe off the excess and then begin work with soap and brush. Pay particular attention to the creases where dust and blackheads gather at the chin and sides of the nose, but work generally in an outward, semi-rotary motion. Rinse in clear water and then dry by patting, never coarse rubbing.

Whatever you do, don't forget your neck. Give it the same brush treatment, the same cleansing, the

Hair IS Coming Down at the Back



Countess Haugwitz-Reventlow favours this style—wings taken off the side of the face and an out-turned roll curl at the back.

"SALT SERVICE"

SALT will clear a fire required for grilling. It will also stop smoke and blaze if sprinkled on anything that is burning.

Copper articles should be cleaned with lemon juice and salt. This will remove any verdigris.

To remove stains from baths and wash-basins, rub with dry salt before cleaning in the ordinary way.

Choked sink-pipes can be cleared by pouring boiling salt water down.

When soup has been over-salted, add a peeled and halved potato. This will absorb the surplus salt.

same careful day-time make-up, and it will repay you well with smooth and youthful beauty. If it has a sallow look, let it have a special brush cleansing of its own about once a week, with a final application of a mild astringent instead of cold water.

A. B. C.



The bias-wave cut (above) which softens short back hair contours—the side hair taken up and off face. Coiffure by Emile, who holds the royal warrant for Queen Elizabeth's hair-dressing.

On the left is a hair-down-the-back style, which will be a future fogue. The side hair is taken up and twisted over the head. Back hair curled in Victorian ringlets, with short curls on brow-top.

Christmas

CHRISTMAS gifts this year combine economy and novelty with the practical.

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"NIGHTIE" CASES take the shape of supercilious satin dogs, with silk-fringed ears and feet.

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HOT-WATER-BOTTLE COVERS have achieved a new importance in Paris, where wool Polar bear cub and fluffy chicken are among the latest designs.

DOLLS seem to have followed fashion. The Victorian doll, thirty inches in height, complete with quaint silk dress, many petticoats and parasol, may take the honours in popularity; while the Princess Elizabeth doll has a fresh party frock in palest pink.

CHANGING STYLE

CHANGE over a hair-style after a shampoo, rather than between shampoos, to avoid bruised sensation to scalp.

Sleeping in pinned-up hair will not harm the hair, but insert pins pointed slightly outward to avoid pricking scalp.

When encouraging natural wave, study your parting. Hair nearly always grows at an oblique angle. Start the wave at an angle at which hair starts out from parting. If it falls slightly forward, the first wave should be combed to come towards brow, then taken back.

If hair falls back from parting, take first wave back, then bring forward on to brow. Similarly with short curls on top of head.

If hair refuses to respond to pin-control use combs, but place them before curling ends of hair over, so that they are not too obvious.

When taking up the hair merely for an evening or special occasion, use combs to which are attached wired velvet bows in black, or in ribbon to match your gown.

Side hair and the hair which tops the brow, however, will continue to 'take up.' There will be more soft, fan-like forehead fringes, but not heavy ones.

Hair falling softly in the nape of the neck marks a complete reversal of the page-boy era, which has lasted because it stayed so tidily sleek.

Soft broken-up curls, even ringlets, will emphasise many feminine heads before the New Year.

The ringlets version has been adopted by the Duchess of Kent, though she is one of the few who can look charming with an Edwardian coiffure and often adopts it.

The tidiest way to dispose of long side-locks which have now gone upward is to roll and twine them on top of the head.

Back hair in Victorian type two-inch long ringlets—centre front hair in short curls. This is quite simple to comb and arrange once "set."

Nail Biting In Children How To Cure It:

NAIL biting is an unpleasant habit which in time becomes a menace to health.

Fingers are frequently dirty; and pieces of nails, if swallowed, are liable to irritate the stomach and bowels. Persistent biting may lead to breaks in the skin, with the entry of germs and a septic finger.

Nail-biters are frequently shunned by other children. A quite usual outcome of this is an inferiority complex with marked nervousness, mainly twitches, dreams and nightmares.

Do not delay corrective measures. Keep the nails short and give the child a manicure set with directions on using it. Stimulate a wish to have well-kept nails like its parents.

Improve the general health by increased outdoor exercise and adequate nourishing food and encourage congenial companions who are not nail biters.

Children should wear washable gloves in bed, while during the day their nails should be painted with something unpleasant, yet harmless, such as aloes.

Cures are often hastened by having a dentist fit metal caps to the back teeth to prevent the front ones closing tightly. These should not be worn longer than necessary, otherwise the teeth will decay.

Occasionally, it may be advisable to consult a psychiatrist with a view to hypnotic treatment.

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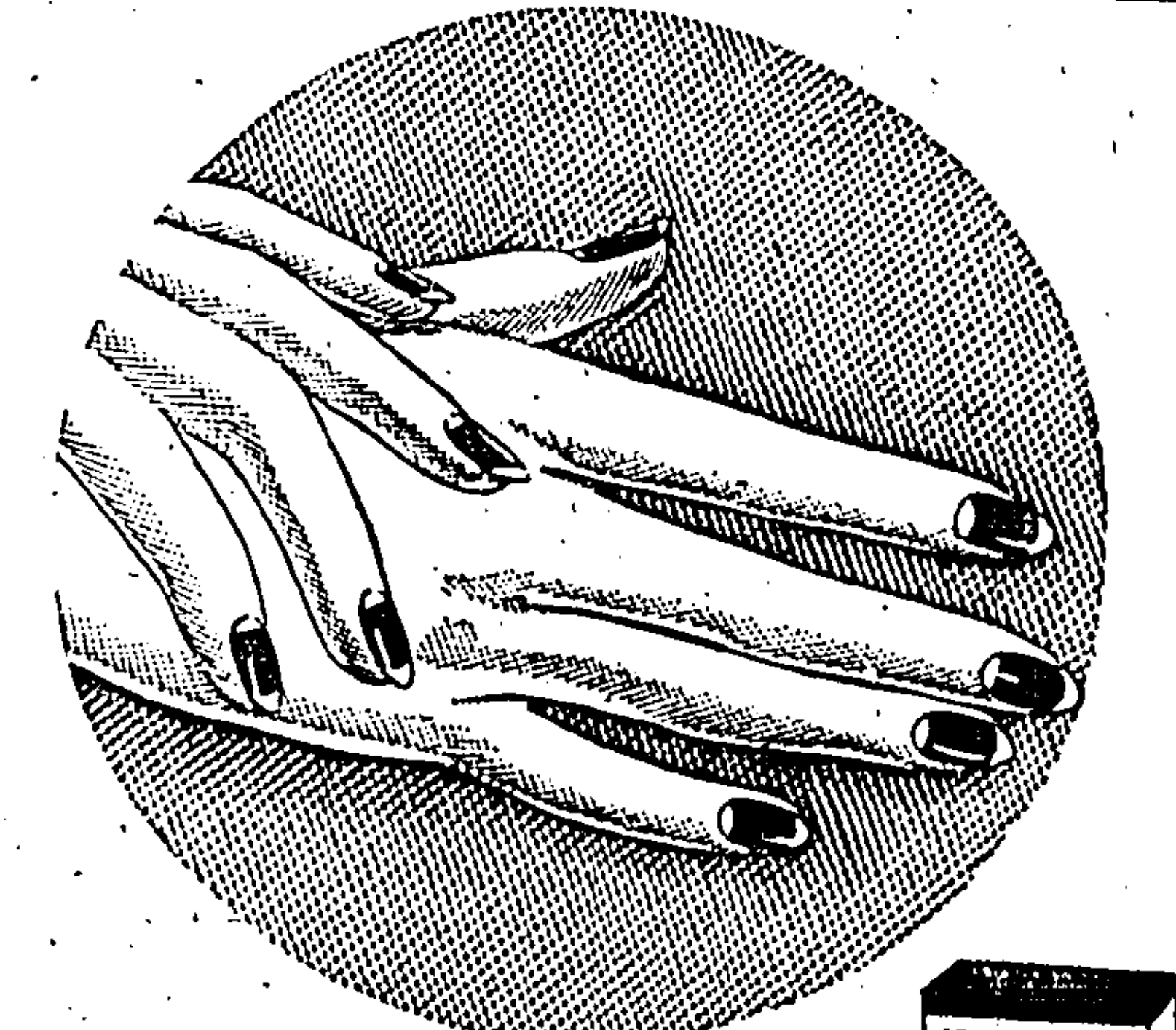
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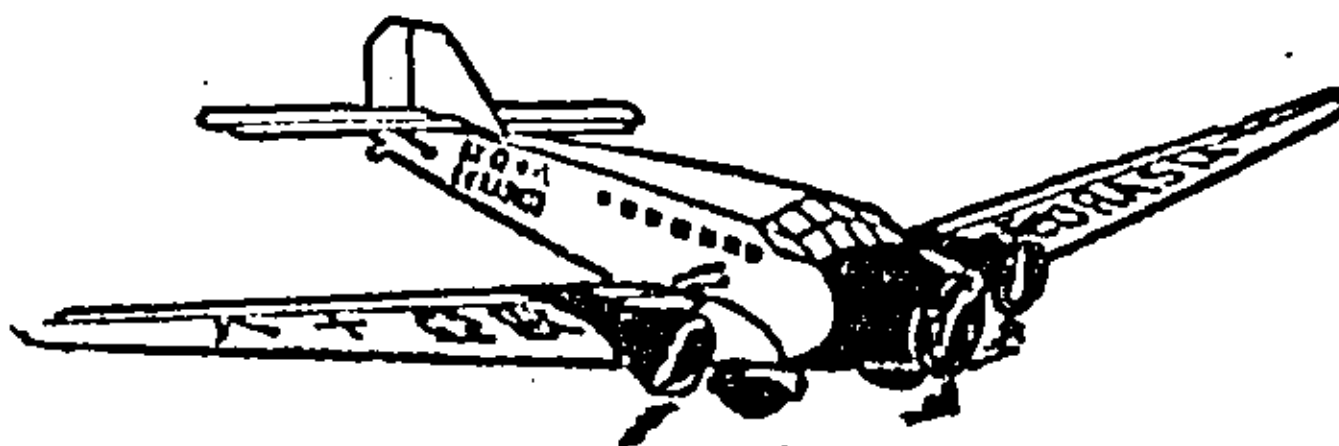
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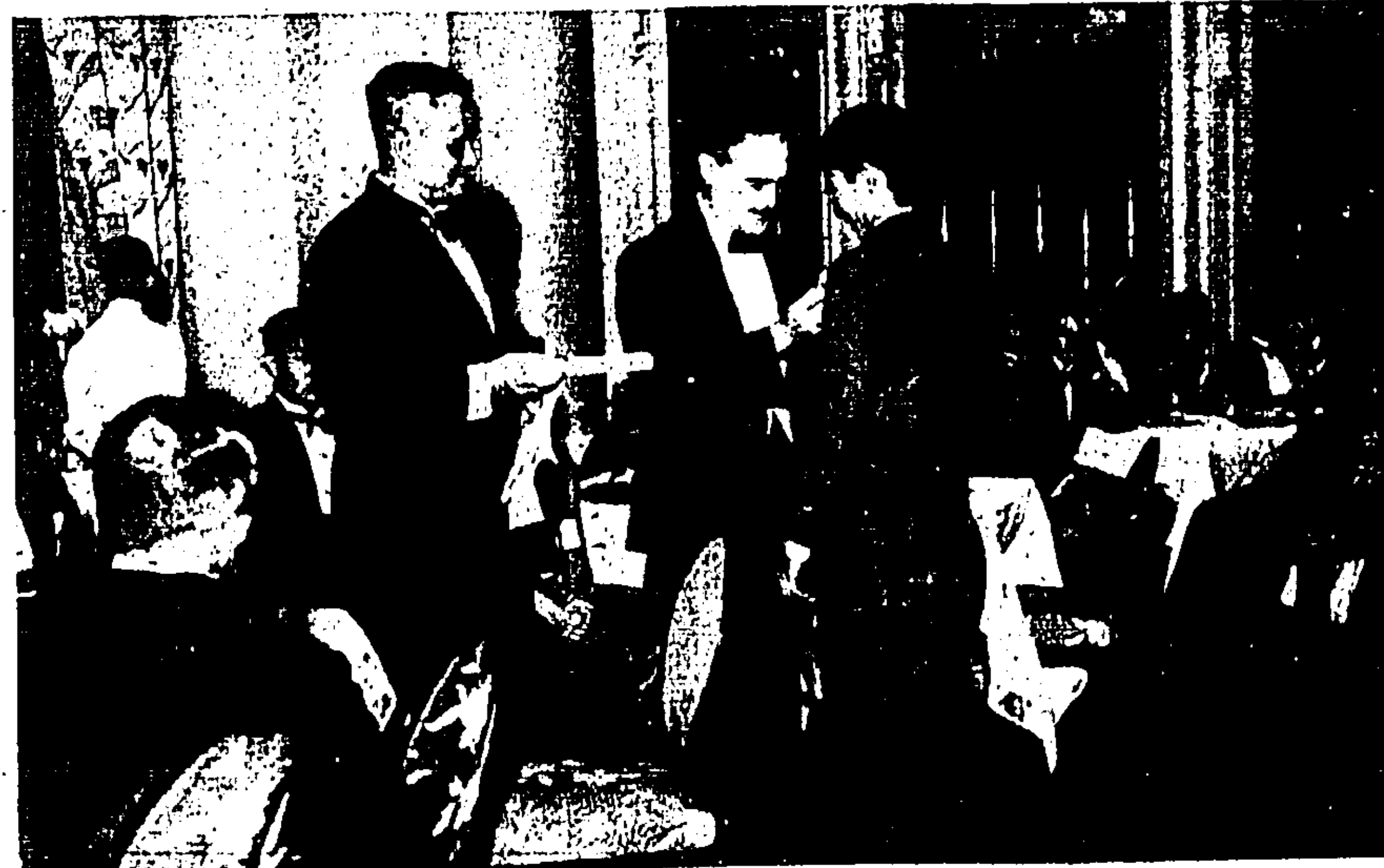


RIGHTS: Miss Lam Yee-moy, the wife of Dr. C. K. Ma, who spent over \$7,000 in staging a free Chinese theatrical show last October to encourage the selling of \$100,000 worth of Chinese National Bonds, will again appear this Christmas to raise funds for the South China war refugees.

An enjoyable evening was spent recently at the Peninsula Hotel when a supper dance was held for the pupils of the School of Accountancy and Commerce.

BELOW: One of the students receiving an award at the Fifth Accountant Students' supper dance. — King's Studio.

LOWER PHOTOGRAPH: Some of the students of the School of Accountancy and Commerce with friends at the dance held after the presentation of awards. — King's Studio.



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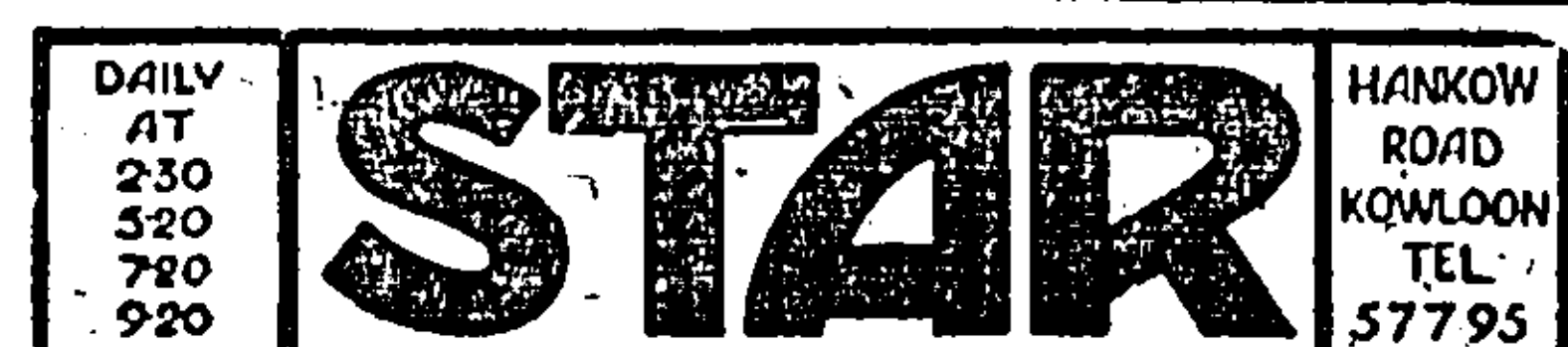
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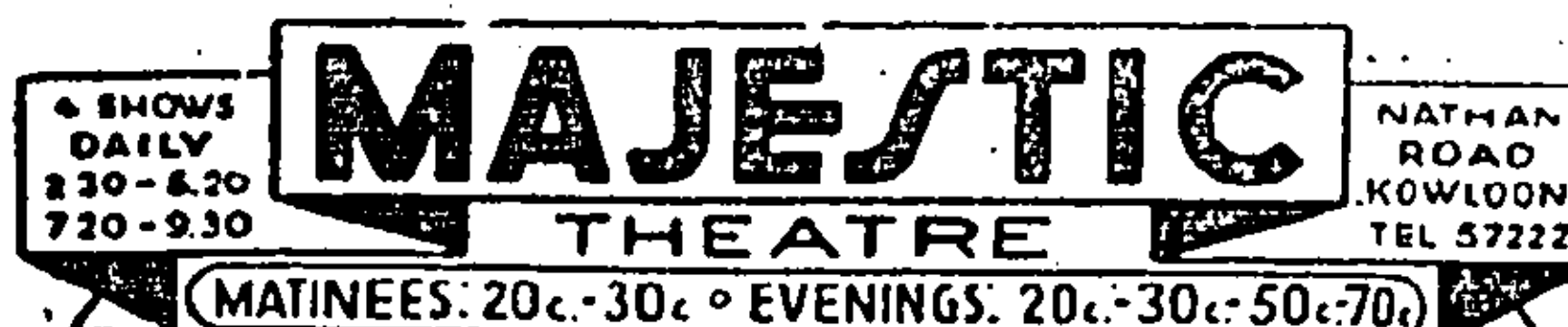
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SULTAN OF JOHORE AND MISS HILL IN ZURICH

"Always Smiling When They Meet": Swiss Holiday SPECIALIST ATTENDS RULER FOR HEART TROUBLE

Zurich.

The Sultan of Johore, who has been staying in Zurich since the beginning of October, is greatly benefitting from his holiday in Switzerland, and intends to stay here for a few more weeks.

The Sultan, who is living in a luxury hotel on the lake shore, is often joined on his excursions in the locality by Miss Lydia Hill.

Although they are always smiling when they meet, they do not seem to wish to associate with any other guests. The Sultan and Miss Hill often go for walks and motoring-trips together.

The Sultan has hired a big American car and, usually once or twice a week, he and Miss Hill make long trips to Swiss places of beauty and fame, such as Lucerne, the St. Gothard Pass or Arosa.

The Sultan is receiving treatment for his heart trouble from a well-known Swiss specialist, and has also been under the care of a dentist.

On his free afternoons His Highness loves to sit in the hall of his hotel and to enjoy the concert provided by the house band.

VISITS TO CINEMAS

In the evenings, he and Miss Hill frequently visit the cinemas of the Civic Opera House (Stadt-Theatre). They appear to find particular pleasure in Hindemith's "Mathis."

Early each morning, Miss Hill motors to the Dolden Ice-rink, situated in the wooded hills to the north of the city.

There she learns the finer points of skating with a tutor and is locally praised as a very graceful and skilful performer.

The Sultan occasionally accompanies her there but, after watching her for a few minutes, usually drives back to his hotel.

SULTAN AND PRESS

Two things are specially enjoyed by the Sultan: the perfect cleanliness of the city and of the whole country, and the excellent order and discipline reigning everywhere.

His Highness is pleased with the way the Swiss Press respects his dislike of publicity. When, recently, he granted the request of a photographer anxious to take his picture, he made it a condition that the photograph should be published only in the Swiss papers.

THE HEALING ART

Lecture on Theosophy And Therapeutics

At the weekly meeting of the Manuk Lodge of the Theosophical Society, on Thursday, the President, Dr. Arthur Fung, gave an interesting lecture on "Theosophy and Therapeutics."

Theosophy the speaker said, means Divine Wisdom, and Therapeutics means the healing art or treatment of disease. From the medical standpoint, disease is a morbid condition of the body attended by pathological changes. From the Theosophical standpoint, disease means dis-ease or disharmony, not only of the physical body, but of the other subtler bodies as well. According to Medical Science the causes of disease are many. Occult Science holds that the differences are different expressions of one cause or metabolic disturbance. To a medical man, this statement is, of course, ridiculous, but what is really required is a comprehensive and careful synthesis of all forms of medical treatment into one consistent whole with the safe guard of adequate professional knowledge of diagnosis in the ranks of its professors.

LATE NEWS

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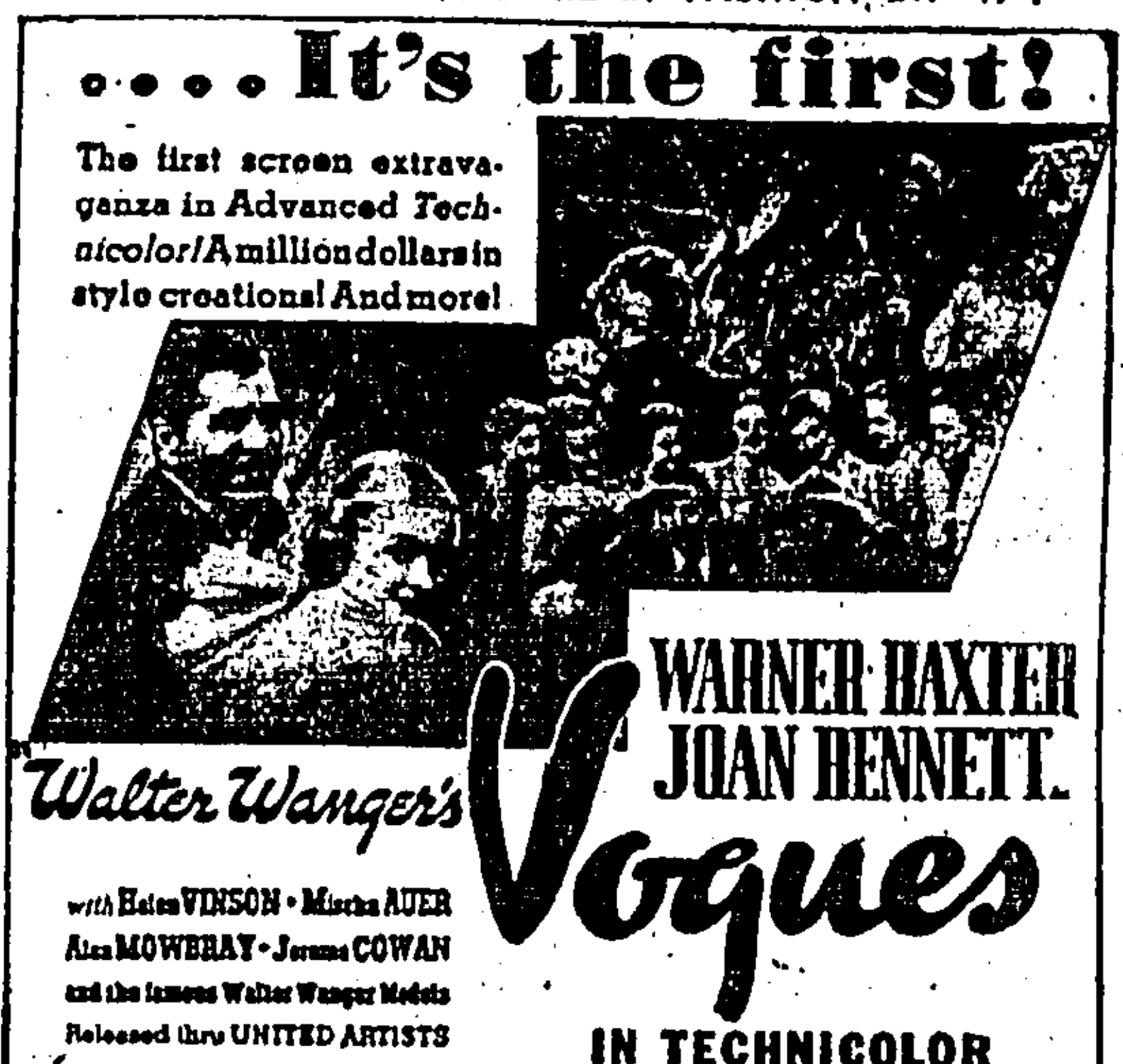
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SALE OF WORK UNWHOLESOME FOOD

Function at St. Stephen's For Charity

Gang Which Caters To Public Peril

The Rev. G. K. Carpenter, before calling upon Mrs. T. H. King to open the sale of work held at the St. Stephen's Girls' College on Saturday, thanked Miss Atkins (Headmistress) and the staff of the college for so kindly having given up the original date set for the sale a week ago, so that the Diocesan Bazaar could be held.

The gaily decorated stalls offered novelties, needlework, woolies, toys, sweets, home-made, chutney, pies and cakes, books and stationery, beadwork, and other articles.

The Kindergarten had a sand-tray instead of the usual Christmas tree. In this tray were hidden a number of parcels, over each of which was "planted" an artificial flower.

The School for the Deaf had a special stall of basket-work, handwork and needlework. There was also a stall offering mitten wear, toys and novelties, all made by the Chinese refugees in Hongkong.

The proceeds of the sale will be donated to the Ministering Children's League and local charities.

Mak Shing 30, and a woman named Chan Kwan were heavily fined when they appeared before Mr. P. Himsforth at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court on Saturday charged with having in their premises 162 lbs. of unwholesome poultry, which they intended to sell to the public.

Mr. A. C. Sinton of the Public Health Department informed the Court that on December 16 at 8 a.m. he raided the first floor of No. 424, Reclamation Street where he found both defendants and 162 lbs. of chicken, duck and other poultry.

Chan Kwan, the woman, had been fined \$100 for a similar offence not long ago, and it was his opinion, that the two defendants were members of a gang that made a business of supplying the public with unwholesome food.

Mak was fined \$800 or four months' imprisonment and the woman, Chan Kwang, was fined \$100 or two months in default.

DANCING EXHIBITION

ROTARY CLUB

At to-morrow's meeting of the Hongkong Rotary Club, which will take place on Wednesday, December 21, a talk on "Children of the Dead End" will be given by Mrs. D. J. S. Crozier.

The Hongkong Chinese Dancers' Association will give a performance of modern ballroom dancing at 8.15. The performance will be given and were very well received.

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**HONGKONG WILL
GET its first glimpse of
Pan American Airways' giant 72-passenger
Boeing Clippers early
in February, according
to information released
this morning.**

Government tests of the new machine have been completed and the first experimental flight across the Pacific, from San Francisco to Hongkong, is scheduled for eight weeks' time.

The first flight will not be made in a commercial capacity, and no mails, freight or passengers will be carried.

The 41½-ton flying hotel, which is now at San Francisco, will fly non-stop to Washington next week for its dedication ceremony, possibly by President Roosevelt himself.

It is believed that the plane may be christened "Cathay Clipper."

Another two machines of the same type are now ready for commercial tests. These two machines are definitely scheduled for use on the trans-Pacific route and as soon as they are ready for service, probably in March, the first Boeing, which is to make the experimental flights, in February will be withdrawn for experimental flights across the Atlantic.

SIX GIANTS ORDERED

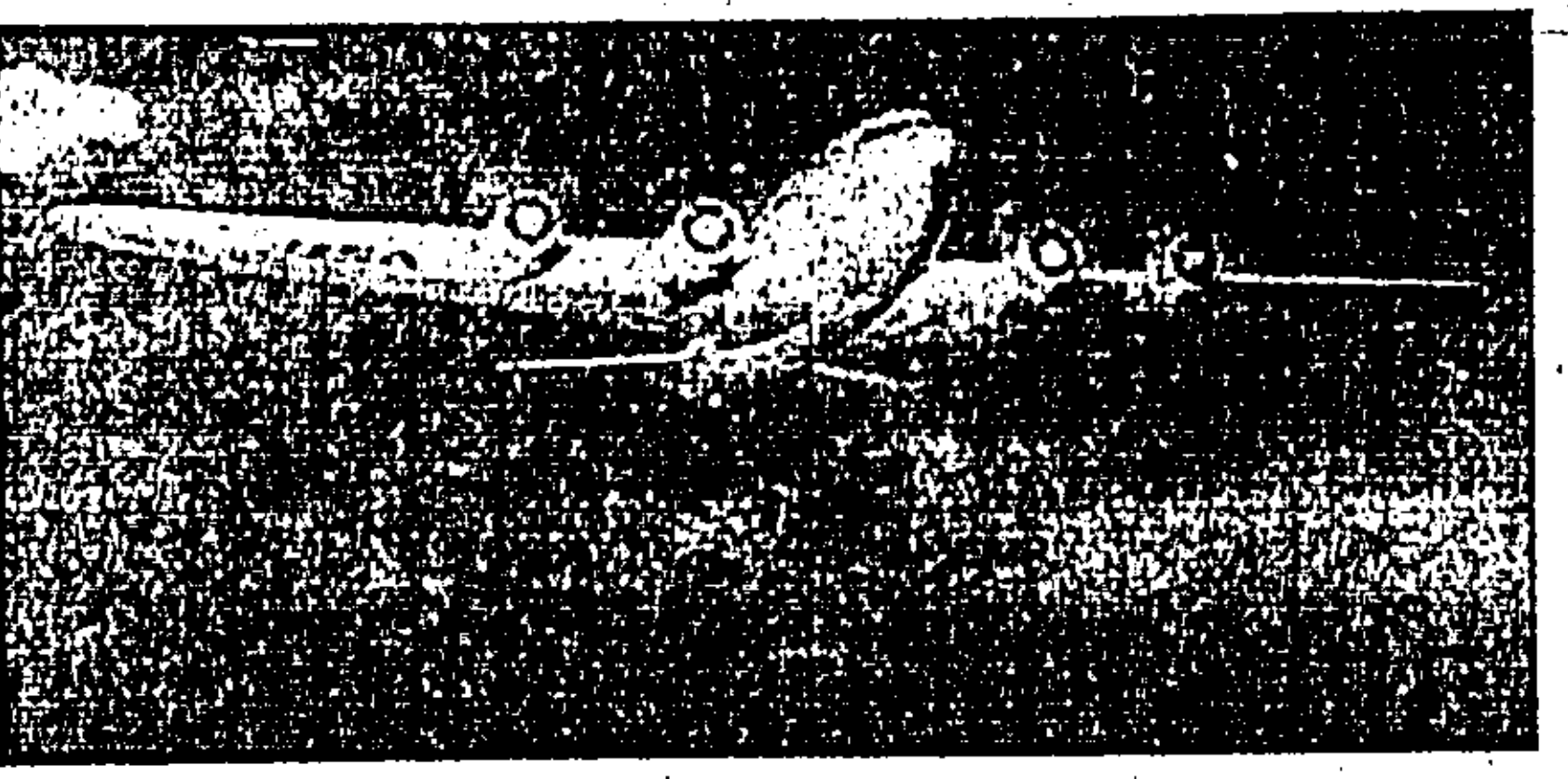
Pan American Airways has ordered six of these giant Clippers, two for the trans-Pacific service to Hongkong, two for the proposed trans-Atlantic service and two for a projected service between Honolulu and New Zealand.

It is understood that the projected service to the Antipodes will, like the trans-Atlantic service, be operated jointly by Pan American Airways and Imperial Airways. Negotiations have already commenced for a franchise to operate the joint service to Australia instead of New Zealand.

**Corsica Acts
Against Italians**

BASTIA, Dec. 18. STRICT SUPERVISION of the activities of Italian agents in Corsica was demanded in a resolution passed by the Committee of Action and Defence, which was formed here following the recent Italian claims.

Other resolutions demand: withdrawal of the right of Italians to shoot game; strict control to ensure that immigration is "not exceeded"; immediate enforcement of all existing military laws and the creation of new naval and air bases on the island; an assurance of proper food supplies; an energetic demarche to Rome to end the anti-French campaign; reinforcement of special police, the number of which is considered insufficient; suppression of the Italian newspaper "Nuova"; exclusion of Italian labourers from public works construction on the island; and from the local administration; supervision of Italian residents and the immediate expulsion of all suspicious characters.—Reuter.



THE BOEING CLIPPER

**Judge Rules Against
Taipan Pony-Owner**

TWO LEGAL RULINGS were given on the Brayfield libel case this morning while the Special Jury, who had been excluded from Court during the arguments of Counsel, waited to resume their sitting.

**Mussolini
Dedicates
New Town**

Rome, Dec. 18. Signor Mussolini left Port Gaieta on board the cruiser Bolzano on Saturday evening for Sardinia, where he will perform the ceremony of dedicating the new "military town" of Carbonia.

Among those accompanying the Duce was the Secretary of the Fascist Party, Signor Storace, the Minister of Education, Signor Alfieri, and the Minister of Corporations, Signor Lantini.

In an address delivered by the Duce to-day at the formal inauguration of the town of Carbonia, which has been built for miners employed in the coal mines of Sardinia, the Italian dictator failed to make any reference to the acute foreign political problems such as the Italian claims on France.

Mussolini merely spoke of the economic problems of Italy, and of the creative and organising genius which the new Italy displayed in the solution of her difficult problems.

Political quarters here declare that it is by no means surprising that the Duce made no reference to foreign affairs, since Italy has not yet given formal, or diplomatic notice of Italian claims on which world interest has been focused for some weeks.

It is pointed out that official notice of Italy's claims at the present moment would merely be a grist to the mill of Italy's enemies, and would make more difficult the mission of Mr. Neville Chamberlain, who is visiting Rome in January.—Trans-Ocean.

**OFFICIALS ACCOMPANY
IT DUCE**

Rome, Dec. 18. Accompanied by an important retinue of Ministers and high officials, Signor Mussolini visited Sardinia and inaugurated the new coal-mining town christened Carbonia, to-day.

The "Coal city," has been built on modern lines.

During a brief speech, in which he made no reference to foreign affairs, Signor Mussolini declared that a new centre had arisen where previously malaria reigned. He claimed that the town would soon double its population, which at present is 12,000.—Reuter.

NAVAL RACE IN EAST

Soviet, Japan Fight for Supremacy

LONDON, Dec. 18. JAPAN AND SOVIET Russia are engaged in a secret battleship-building race, according to 1939 "Jane's Fighting Ships," the world's most authoritative naval handbook.

It is declared that the Japanese, submarine fleet, of which more than are leading with four projected "super" battleships, exceeding 40,000 tons, two of which are reported to have been laid down in 1938.

The handbook says that nations all over the world are undergoing the biggest naval race since 1919, with at least 25 battleships under construction, or authorised.

The book says that Soviet Russia ton light cruisers, all of which are claims to have the most formidable completed.—United Press.

**No English Mail
Until To-morrow**

The Imperial Airways plane Delphinus is expected at Kai Tak at 5 p.m. to-day with Australian mails.

The United Kingdom mail has been delayed another day and will not reach Hongkong until to-morrow at 5 p.m. The planes Delta and Dardanus will bring the Home mail.

The last mail from England arrived in Hongkong on Thursday and the mail coming to-morrow is three days behind schedule. Though only barest information has reached Hongkong, it is possible that there might be a small quantity of Home mail with the Australian load on the Delphinus. However, the main mail will come to-morrow.

**Mother and
Father Die
In Kowloon**

**Swift Tragedy Comes
To Local Family**

SWIFT TRAGEDY has robbed a well-known Hongkong family of two sisters and three brothers of both their parents within twenty-four hours.

Following the death in Kowloon Hospital yesterday morning of Mr. James S. White, former chief engineer of the steamer Fook-On, Mrs. White, his wife, passed away suddenly at the same hospital early this morning.

Mrs. White died of shock. She was visiting the hospital yesterday when she collapsed.

Her condition, after her husband's death, became so serious that she also was admitted as a patient.

Her strength did not rally and, almost 24 hours to the minute after the death of her husband, she passed away.

The death of Mr. White yesterday morning was totally unexpected to the family. He was admitted to Kowloon Hospital only three days ago, and his condition on Saturday night did not appear to be serious.

The husband and wife are survived by three sons and two daughters, Mr. W. J. White, Mrs. M. Borreux, Mr. George White, Miss Gertrude White and Mr. V. H. White.

Mr. White was 63 years of age and Mrs. White 57 years of age. The couple have resided in Hongkong for many years, and were married in this colony.

The funeral services will be held simultaneously at the Colonial Cemetery Chapel at 5.15 p.m. to-day, and the well-known couple will be buried side by side.

**Big Increase In
Smuggling**

Shanghai, Dec. 18. Authoritative circles here reveal a great increase of opium smuggling into Shanghai during the first half of December.

It is declared that between 50 and 200 pounds of opium are imported daily, while formerly 20 pounds was regarded as an extremely high figure.

During November Police confiscated 600 pounds of opium, and arrested 100 people, mostly farmers coming from the interior with small quantities, while a search of incoming ships resulted in several large hauls.

Arrests during the first half of December have exceeded the number of apprehensions during November, while captures of opium have amounted to 500 pounds.

The number of preventive officers of the Customs authorities, and the International Settlement police has been increased, and a minimum of two smuggling cases are heard daily in the Chinese courts.—Trans-Ocean.

**AUSTRALIANS
MET HERE TO
FORMULATE
DEFENCE PLANS**



AUSTRALIA'S FEDERAL PARLIAMENT House at Canberra, where a new £60,000,000 Defence scheme has just been announced.

**Stalemate In War In
China Still Continues**

SHANGHAI, Dec. 18. JUDGING BY THE LATEST REPORTS received here to-day, the situation on the various fronts remains virtually unchanged.

Japanese forces are mostly holding the same positions which they held several weeks ago. It is believed, however, the Japanese High Command is expediting preparations for a new offensive in north-western China, with Sian, capital of Shensi, probably as the first main objective.

The Japanese forces in Central and South China are apparently not making special efforts to advance, and are concentrating their endeavours on clearing up areas already occupied while a considerable number of Chinese irregulars have been extremely active of late, harassing the Japanese by frequent raids.

In view of the vast extent of the territories nominally held by the Japanese, the presence of the guerrillas is making the task of the Japanese all the more difficult.

Furthermore, it is impossible for the Japanese to isolate these territories from the Chinese main forces, and as a result of their contact with the main forces, the Chinese irregulars are constantly receiving arms, ammunition and men from these sources.—Trans-Ocean.

**Chamberlain
To See Hitler?**

London, Dec. 18. The "Sunday Chronicle" to-day alleges that the British Premier, after his return from Rome, plans to make another call on Herr Hitler.

The newspaper asserts that Mr. Chamberlain and Viscount Halifax, while on their way back from Rome to London, will meet the French Premier and M. Bonnet in Paris to discuss the possibility of inviting Field-Marshal Hermann Goerring to London for discussing pending foreign and political questions.

The result of these discussions would be a Four-Power Conference. The "Sunday Dispatch" believes that Herr Hitler next year will submit to a world plan on armaments restrictions to be signed by the four big Powers.—Trans-Ocean.

**Slovak Government
Sweeps The Polls**

Pressburg, Dec. 18. The provisional result of the Slovak elections show an overwhelming victory for the Slovak Government, which has obtained 90 per cent. of the total votes of 1,100,000.

The 52 Slovak Chamber Deputies thus elected, includes two German representatives, the leader of the German Party in Slovakia, Herr Franz Karamain, and the Rev. Steinhuebl, and the leader of the United Hungarian Parties, Count Esterhazy.

Results from seven districts are not yet available.—Trans-Ocean.

**Germany Turns
Attention To
Ukraine**

LONDON, Dec. 18. A DEFINITE MOVEMENT is to be launched soon for the inauguration of an independent Ukrainian state, including Ruthenia and extensive regions in Poland, Russia and Rumania, states the Berlin correspondent of the "Sunday Times."

A confidential Ukrainian bureau has been opened in Berlin by Dr. Nikola Suschko, believed to be a former officer of the Ukrainian army, and all "stateless Ukrainians" have been asked to register.

The Warsaw correspondent of the "Sunday Times" declares that Polish political circles are astonished at the haste of the Nazi authorities in organising 40,000 Ukrainians, resident in Germany.

Dr. Rosenberg, Hitler's chief lieutenant for Ukrainian affairs, has created a special Ukrainian department to co-operate with the bureau in Germany for the organisation of military training in special schools.

One of these, for officers, has already been opened in Danzig. Poland has sent a sharp protest to Prague against anti-Polish Ukrainian propaganda in Czechoslovakia.—Reuter.

LATEST

**Japanese
Abandon
East River**

WUCHOW, Dec. 19. LATEST MILITARY despatches from the front state that the Japanese forces have practically completely abandoned the East River front and, in retreating, suffered large numbers of casualties and loss of ammunition to the advancing Chinese.

Following the recapture of Tamshui and Pingshan, the reports say, Chinese forces have now reached Aotow, the tiny village on the sandy beach of the Bias Bay where the Japanese first made their landing on October 12.

Cheungning, Foklin, Santsokong, Ngankong, Hucheng and Leungfayun, all strategic points in the East River area, were successfully retaken by the Chinese yesterday. Describing the Chinese success, a despatch from Shukwan states that over 1,000 Japanese were killed and wounded and a quantity of military supplies seized.

Japanese forces, the despatch says, are steadily shortening their line with the main army concentrated at Canton. Everish preparations are made to strengthen the defence of the city and its immediate vicinity.

Another report states that Chinese guerrillas on the outskirts of Canton have reached Kongsun, ten miles north of Canton on the Canton-Hankow Railway.

On the West River, Japanese forces have been increased to over 3,000 men at Samshui, Hohow, and Sainan on the Canton-Samshui Railway. Aside from erecting defence works, little activities are noticed.

A report from Szeow states that several hundred Japanese made a cautious advance from Yeungnai and Keetong northward along the highway to threaten points on the North River on December 17, but were checked by Chinese vigilance.—Central News.

**SOVIET FORCES MASS
Big Concentrations In Far East**

TOKYO, Dec. 19. A LARGE NUMBER of Soviet troops are still concentrated in the frontier area, declared Commandant Y. Yokoyama of the Japanese frontier guard which participated in the recent hostilities in the Changkufeng area, upon his return home from Manchuria on Sunday.

Arriving at Tsuruga from Manchuria aboard a ferry-boat, the Army officer admitted that the Soviet forces concentrated on the border are well equipped, adding, however, that their use of modern arms is apparently incomplete.

Commandant Yokoyama has been transferred to the Army Arsenal in Tokyo.—Domet.

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Further Late News

WOMAN OF 70 STRUGGLED WITH ARMED BURGLAR

'He Was a Good Boy' Verdict on Man Her Son Shot

"She is an old lady of 70, but it was a test many of us would not like to be put to," commented the coroner at a Birmingham inquest recently referring to "the very brave act" of a woman who struggled with an intruder and sat on him while her son went for help.

"Justifiable homicide" was the verdict on William George Hart (36), of Ellmeh Lane, Barton-under-Needwood, near Burton-on-Trent, who died from tetanus after being remanded on a charge of house-breaking.

He was shot in the leg during a struggle, when surprised by Mrs. Harriet Winnill and her son Jack at their house at Croxall.

They had heard footsteps upstairs on returning home, and found a bedroom ransacked. Mr. Jack Winnill fetched a gun he had bought the night before; Mrs. Winnill armed herself with a torchlight and walking stick.

"We did not know how many were up there," Mrs. Winnill told the coroner. "There might have been one, two, three or four."

"MOVE AND I SHOOT"

"My son then entered the door of my room. I could see a man crouching in the far corner in front of a chest of drawers. He had a cyclic lamp.

"My son said, 'Move and I will shoot,' she added. "The man turned round and my son said, 'Why, it's Bill Hart. What are you doing here?' He mumbled something and then crouched down with his back towards us.

"I thought he was going to pick up a firearm and advanced towards him with my stick. I thought if he was going to fire I would either knock it out of his hand or take the bullet myself. Instead he put the light out and picked up a poker."

Hart, she said, struck her three or four times on the top of her head and shoulder, and she broke her walking stick on him.

"HE'LL DO US BOTH IN"

He caught her by the throat and threw her on the bed, and she saw her son being struck with the poker.

"There was blood streaming down my son's face, and I shouted, 'Shoot, Jack, or he'll do us both in.' When I heard the shot, I found them still struggling at the top of the stairs, and he still held the poker and was trying to push Jack backwards down stairs.

"I went to help, and between us we pushed Hart down on the landing."

Mrs. Winnill said that her son went for help and she sat on Hart on one of the stairs. "He took my hand and said, 'Mrs. Winnill, I am sorry. Don't send for the police. Keep it quiet. It will upset my mother.'"

"I told him, 'You naughty lad—you didn't study your mother or me when you came here.' Then I saw how badly he was bleeding, and made a tablecloth into a tourniquet, which I tied above the wound."

AIMED LOW

The son said that he "held the gun low to hit his legs if possible. It was the one way of stopping him."

Sitting by the fire in her home Mrs. Winnill said: "Poor Hart. He was a good boy and a clever mechanic who could have earned his living anywhere, and poor Mrs. Hart, his mother. What a dreadful thing it must be for her."

"I am very strong for my age," she went on, "mainly because I have worked hard all my life, and I have lived in the country. I was born at Kenilworth, and I shall never go and live in a town. People say to me, 'I suppose you will leave that house now,' but I say, 'What is the good?'"

"There have been eight burglaries recently in Alrewas, nearby, and the man has never been caught. One of the burglaries was in broad daylight, so I am as safe here as anywhere. The railway has given me this house as long as I want it, and only having an old-age pension and my son's earnings, I can't afford to move, anyway."

Kick Kicks Back

CINCINNATI. Quilton Jesse, 14, walking idly along the street, took a healthy kick at a cardboard box in his way. Hospital attaches said that the boy wrenched his left leg and dislocated his left knee.

THE "TELEGRAPH" will send a Staff Photographer to all events of public interest. Requests should be addressed to the Pictorial Editor.

"Lung" Was On Way to Dying Girl

While an "iron lung" was being rushed from Birmingham Children's Hospital in answer to a midnight broadcast 8 O S, the medical staff at Liverpool Royal Infirmary made an unsuccessful fight for the life of a 20-year-old girl with infantile paralysis.

The patient, Diana Jones, of Alburgh Road, Liverpool, died at one o'clock in the morning.

Efforts to keep her alive with oxygen and artificial respiration until the "lung" arrived proved unavailing.

Clue In Dead Girl Riddle

CRICCIETH. A young farm servant who heard shouts for help from a girl in a car with three men has opened a new line of inquiry into the death of an unknown girl whose body was found in the sea off Black Rock here recently.

Actually, additional information has been received from three sources.

Miss Edith Williams, the farm servant, is reported to have stated that at 10 p.m. on Monday, while walking with a girl friend in the country, four miles from the point where the body was discovered, she noticed a small saloon car parked at the side of the road.

In it were three men and a girl. As she passed, the driver pulled his cap over his eyes and turned up his coat collar. She heard the noise of a struggle, and the girl called for help.

Miss Williams said she was frightened and ran away.

RAZOR BLADES IN CAR

From another source the police learn that a car was seen on the sands near Black Rock at 6.45 a.m. on Monday and had the appearance of having been there overnight. Razor blades were seen in the dashboard pocket of the car.

A third report is of a girl answering the description of the unknown girl, seen walking on deserted rocks alone on Saturday afternoon.

The funeral of the unidentified girl, on whom an open verdict was returned postponed in the hope that there may yet be evidence of identification.

Trailer Fire Outrun

DEOWARE, Nev. J. A. Harrison and Rev. Alexander, prospectors, driving an automobile and trailer to new "diggings," discovered the trailer on fire. Unable to unhook it, their only alternative to keep the flames from spreading to the automobile was by fast driving, to outrun the flames. This they did.



An asbestos-clad man, which will serve as the theme statue of the Johns-Manville building at the New York World's Fair, was unveiled in ceremonies, as above. Grover Whalen, Fair president, and Lewis H. Brown, president of Johns-Manville, are at right. The huge figure is against a background of metal flames, at the building's entrance.

LIVED IN ONE ROOM ON 30s., LEFT £113,000 TO STATE

FOR months grey-bearded, 86-year-old Mr. Albert Grave lived on 30s. a week in a bed-sitting-room at Clarence Road, New Cut, refusing to have a fire in the coldest weather, living on the simplest of food and wearing old clothes.

When he fell down in the street, injuring his nose, he was taken to hospital, but insisted on being sent home. To a doctor who thought he should take a taxi he said: "I have no money for taxis."

A young man assisted him to walk home. At the suggestion of Mrs. Nicholls, in whose house he lived, he produced a shilling as reward.

Next morning he died from haemorrhage. That was in September.

Recently his will was published. £156,000 was the total of his estate.

£27,772 goes in Estate Duty; £5,000 to charity; £200 in four personal gifts, and £113,000, the residue to the Chancellor of the Exchequer for reduction of the National Debt.

ROOM OF MEMORIES

Mrs. Nicholls said that a year ago Mr. Grave—who called himself Gray—knocked at her door and asked if he could have a bed-sitting room. "He told me that over 20 years ago he had lived in this house, and he felt he would like to come and live in a room which had memories for him," she added.

"What those memories were he never said. "When he came in, I asked if he could afford to pay 27s. a week for his board and laundry. He said, 'Of course.'"

BREAD AND JAM TEA

"Mr. Grave spoke to no one, and only occasionally left his room to go for a walk.

"Even on the coldest days he refused to pay a few coppers extra for a fire in his room. His meals were simple, and for he would have only bread and butter, and sometimes jam. His clothes were old, and he never bought anything new."

The only letter Mrs. Nicholls had known him receive was from Mr. Alfred John Loughton, of Market Place, Southwell, Nottinghamshire, to whom he left £50.

"MESSIAH" MUSIC

At the Union Church last night the service took the form of a recital of music and solos from the "Messiah." G. E. Longyear was at the organ, and the following artists gave their services. Eva Turner, Helen Lockhart, L. T. Ride, G. d'Aquino, Bruce Lewis, E. Pellegrati.

Asbestos Man At Fair

Hermit Must Quit His Camp On By-Pass

Wimbledon's picturesque "man of mystery," who five years ago made his home in a clump of bushes on the Kingston by-pass, must leave the town.

Since the day he arrived with his belongings tied up in old sacks and pitched camp beside the road at the entrance of a factory, residents have wondered as to his identity.

Everyone in the town knew him as Sir Roland Walters. Children called him "the bogey man."

MAGISTRATE KNEW HIM

In Wimbledon police court recently he stood in the dock under the name of Walter Avery, aged 40, charged with persistently wandering and lodging in the open air.

He had more than a pound in his possession when arrested. Mr. F. S. Mallett, presiding magistrate, interrupted the constable who was giving evidence with: "I know him better than you do, constable, and he knows me."

He told Avery: "It is an open-air life, I know, but you are an educated man and you must put a stop to it."

Avery was released on promising to leave the town.

A police official said: "Every morning he has gone to a nearby shop and fetched hot water for washing and his breakfast."

"Every day he has bought his ounce of soap and his food and then has sat on his bundles watching the traffic go by, or paced up and down the road smoking his clay pipe, deep in thought."

WOMAN IN CAR

"Never has he given any clue to where he came from, why he lived such a strange life, or who kept him supplied with money."

"A big saloon car drives up to him two or three times every week. He shambles to the door, has a brief conversation with a fashionably-dressed woman inside, is handed his 'allowance,' and then returns to his 'camp.'"

A few days before the police took him before the Wimbledon bench. He undertook to leave the town, but when Mr. Mallett asked why he had not gone, he said simply that he could not leave.

An advantage if the Helwick Light could be provided with radio telephone communication with the shore.

They recommended that owners generally should be encouraged to substitute for rod-and-chain steering a system of direct-action steering on all vessels.

Captain James Griffiths, for the Sailors' and Firemen's Union, had expressed the view during the hearing that lifeboats should not be kept on the bridge alone, but should be distributed to the men to be kept in their quarters.

They Like To Drill In Private

The contrast between the modern housing of the troops and the old-fashioned barracks was described as astonishing by Major-Gen. J. H. Beith (Jan Hay), War Office Director of Public Relations, recently.

Major-Gen. Beith was inspecting the Designs Branch of the Directorate of Fortifications, housed just off the Strand, which is concerned with the housing of the troops.

During the inspection, two instances were mentioned of the manner in which endeavour is made to meet the wishes of the soldier. It was stated that:

Parade grounds to-day are screened from the public gaze whenever possible, so that the raw recruit will not have to drill under the critical eye of his girl friend.

At Aberdeen the troops asked that a wall should be built round the parade ground, so that the public could not watch them.

Major-Gen. Beith, in his speech, said:

"Forty years ago I was a private in one of the old volunteer corps, the Cambridge University Rifle Volunteers, and we did our annual training in barracks at Aldershot, doubled up with a line battalion."

"Quite apart from the general discomfort and squallor, there was no such thing as hot water, and you had to go out of doors for everything."

"Now everything is under one roof, which makes an enormous difference to the comfort of the soldier."

Radio Phone Urged For Small Ships

Recommendation that small coasting ships should be supplied with radio telephone apparatus was made by the assessors at the Board of Trade inquiry at Cardiff recently into the loss of the steamer Glanrhdy, which went down with 17 men off the Gower Coast last January. They also added that it would be

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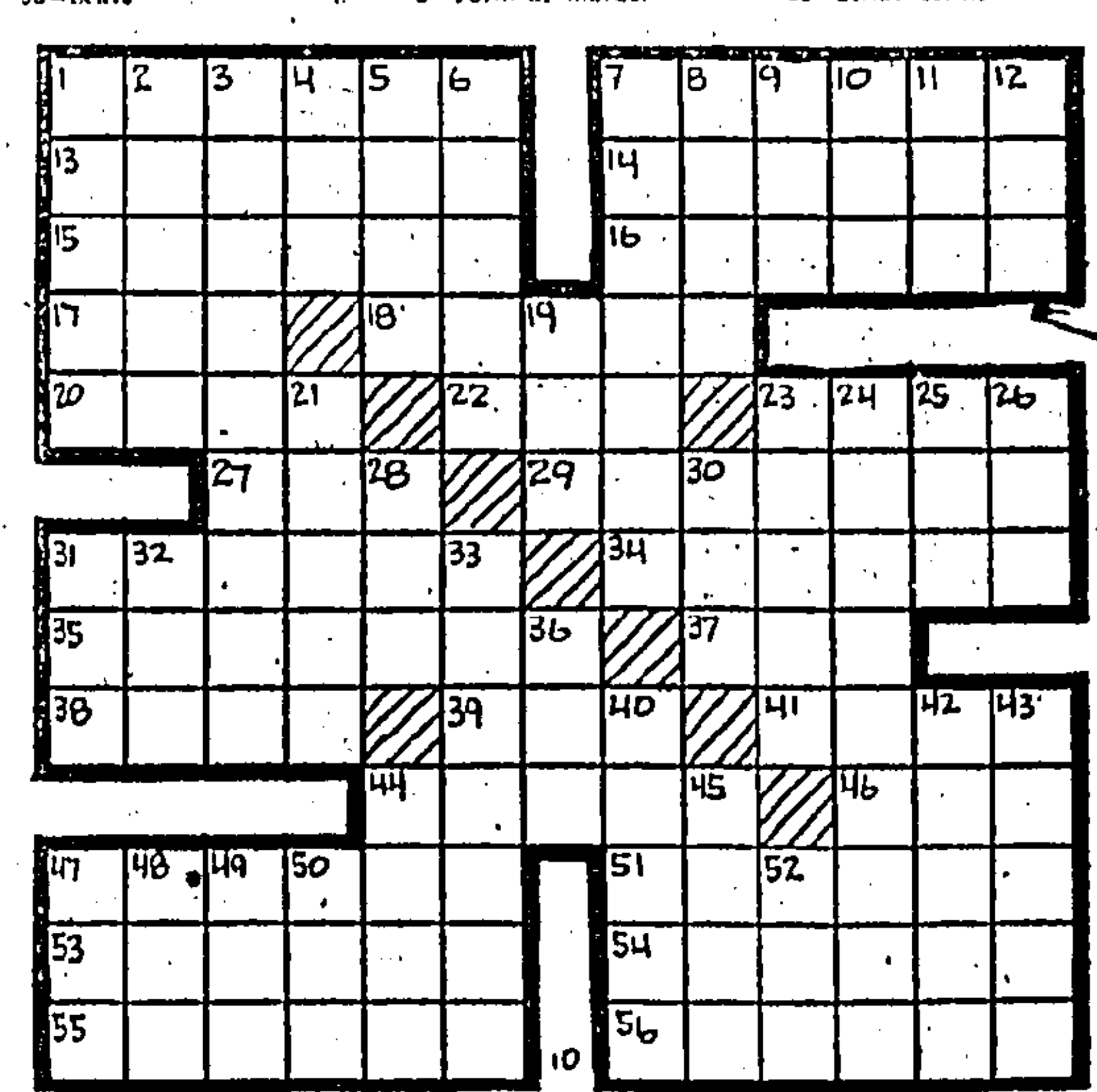
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2—Phrase
3—Kind of paint
4—Lease
5—Time to come
6—Declined for
7—Disables
8—It's raining
9—New Zealand tree
10—Jewish are
11—Symbol of vengeance
12—Unpleasant sounds
13—Musical composition
14—Moving moderately (music)
15—Foolish fellow
16—Visitors
17—Not cooked
18—For fear that
19—Wild by nature
20—Pitch
21—Sustained
22—Inhabitant of region
23—Positive charm
24—Does not meet
25—Articles of furniture
26—Leaves
27—Large bird
28—Leaf
29—Blow vehicles
30—How to scurry
31—Part of car
32—Social insect
33—American Indian
34—Polish river
35—Old age
36—Hebrew month
37—Pertaining to sickness
38—Medieval plant
39—Sound of cow
40—Capture (col.)
41—A state
42—Avenue
43—Part of coral island
44—Declined gradually
45—Treasure (Prov. Dist.)
46—Having liberty
47—Heated vapour on heat
48—Wine receptacle
49—Small east
50—Nick
51—Strike empty



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WEDDING SECRET KEPT TWO YEARS

SIR Oswald Mosley revealed recently that he was secretly married just over two years ago to the former Mrs. Bryan Guinness, third daughter of Lord Redesdale and a sister of Miss Unity Mitford, friend of Hitler.

Coupled with his statement was the announcement that "The Hon. Lady Mosley gave birth to a son on Saturday, November 26, last. Both mother and son are doing well."

Lady Mosley's son was born in London and, it is understood, weighed 10lbs. at birth.

No details of the secret marriage ceremony were disclosed in Sir Oswald Mosley's statement, made to "Action," official newspaper of his British Union of Fascists.

Reports were published that Sir Oswald was married in Munich on December 4, 1937. His organisation then issued a statement saying he "has not been in Germany at all for over two years past."

Reasons for Secrecy

Sir Oswald Mosley's personal statement issued recently says:—

It is not my habit to give any interview or statement to the Financial Democratic Press, because in the past many such interviews were twisted to suit their own purpose.

Further, it was estimated recently that nearly half a million of my fellow countrymen were good enough to assemble to listen to me in the course of a single month; yet the national Press thought this quite unworthy of mention.

It is, therefore, a legitimate conclusion that the Press has no interest in me, and I certainly have no interest in them.

It may accordingly be a subject of some surprise that the Press should show any interest in such a purely personal matter as my marriage. Yet their interest has gone even beyond a siege by reporters of any one even remotely connected.

In several instances papers have gone so far as to name the date of December 4 last, and to describe in detail the ceremony in Munich; a town that I have not visited for three and a half years.

It is now necessary to publish the fact of my marriage, and I am very glad to do so in the columns of "Action." In fact, it took place just over two years ago.

HIS REASONS

With the kind assistance of a few friends I was able to fulfil my desire for privacy. My reasons for this were:—

(1) It is obvious that certain special

risks are attached to my life, and it was my strong desire that no woman should share them;

(2) My first wife was subject to the most blackguardly abuse from some sections of the Press and from some political opponents. It was again my strong desire that no woman should be subject to such treatment merely because she happened to be married to me;

(3) In our movement no necessity arose to publicise the matter, because it is not in accord with our principles that a woman should accompany her husband in his public work, or perform any function, merely because she is married to a man who is charged with such duty.

We believe in real sex equality, and, therefore, both men and women perform their own service in their own way without reference to the purely private fact of marriage.

My wife, as a member of our movement, has performed some of its hardest tasks, including the canvass on the doorstep.

NOT OUR WAYS

We leave to financial democracy the custom of a man taking his wife around in his public work, and the still more ridiculous, but now familiar spectacle, of a public woman tak-

Girl Becomes A 'Flying Squad'

A girl cycled a mile in the darkness at 3 a.m. recently to tell the police that from her bedroom window at Box, a village near Bath, she had seen the shadow of a man in a shop.

The girl, Miss Gladys Fisher, of Old Clock House, Box, returned to the shop with two policemen and saw one of them struggle with a man who ran out.

The man escaped in the darkness. The policeman was cut by broken glass of a window through which the thief entered the shop.

ing her husband around. Once again our ways are not their ways.

In conclusion, may I pay this one personal tribute to my wife before I close the subject: in hard struggle she has never for one moment flinched from the British Union principle; always and in all things the movement comes first.

The Hon. Diana Mitford married Mr. Bryan Guinness in 1929, when she was eighteen. There are two sons. The marriage was dissolved in 1934.

Sir Oswald Mosley is forty-two. His first wife, a daughter of the late Marquis Curzon of Kedleston, died in 1933.



Wearing slip-over sweaters labeled "Fitness Wins," and pleated skirts, these pretty British girls who are members of the "Keep Fit" brigade are shown as they paraded recently in the Lord Mayor's Show, in London. The "Keep Fit" movement has enlisted thousands of girl members throughout England and the Empire.

VALET POSED AS PEER TO THE DUNCAN SISTERS

Hector Weedy, a 19-year-old chauffeur-valvet, who was stated to have posed as a peer, entertained the Duncan Sisters, and given a champagne party in the West End was at the Old Bailey recently sentenced to three years' Borstal detention.

Pleading guilty to stealing a motor-car and four cheque forms, and obtaining credit by false pretences, he also asked for six other cases to be taken into consideration.

NEEDS DISCIPLINE
The Recorder (Mr. Gerald Dodson) told Weedy that it was obvious that Weedy required discipline, guidance and a healthy life.

Weedy was alleged to have made a statement in which he said he stole a cheque from Sir David Hawley's room when employed as a temporary footman at Didlington Hall, Norfolk, and also stole cheques from a Captain Wilson, of Lowndes Square, where he was later employed as a chauffeur-valvet.

"I also sent a letter asking for £60, which, I stated, was owing to me, to a Mr. Rowe.

"I had read of this man's death in the Press and thought his relatives would pay this money without any query. I did not know Mr. Rowe, neither did he owe me any money," continued the statement.

TREATED DUNCAN SISTERS
While still employed at this address I took the Duncan Sisters to the Cafe Anglals, Leicester Square, and paid £2 12s.

"I again went to the Cafe Anglals, stated I was Lord Killanin (I was known to the Duncan Sisters as Lord Killanin) and asked for credit for £30 on one of the cheques I had stolen from Captain Wilson's address.

"I then had a bottle of champagne, sandwiches and spaghetti, and was introduced to a young woman, who said she was a dance hostess," the statement went on. "A crowd gathered round and all had champagne and sandwiches."

Weedy also said he then went to another restaurant, where he had more champagne. He was then feeling "rather drunk," and the dance hostess, who was still with him, asked him to accompany her home, which he did.

At her address she left him and gave her a cheque for £100, he believed, for a watch.

It was stated that Weedy was bound over at the Old Bailey in January of last year on a charge of uttering letters demanding money by menaces. He had sent letters to various women threatening their children.

"Vertebrae Queen Chosen"

SAN FRANCISCO.
Miss Bodine Castaneda of this city had conferred on her by the San Francisco Unit of the Affiliated Chiropractors of California the title of "Vertebrae Queen." Against serious competition, she was chosen as having the most beautiful back.

Divorced Spouse Gets Poems

Oakland, Cal.
Ralph H. Dreisbach of Scranton, N. D., in the divorce decree awarded his wife here, received as his total share of the community property a book entitled "Poems You Ought to Know." Mrs. Dreisbach got a \$1,000 insurance policy.

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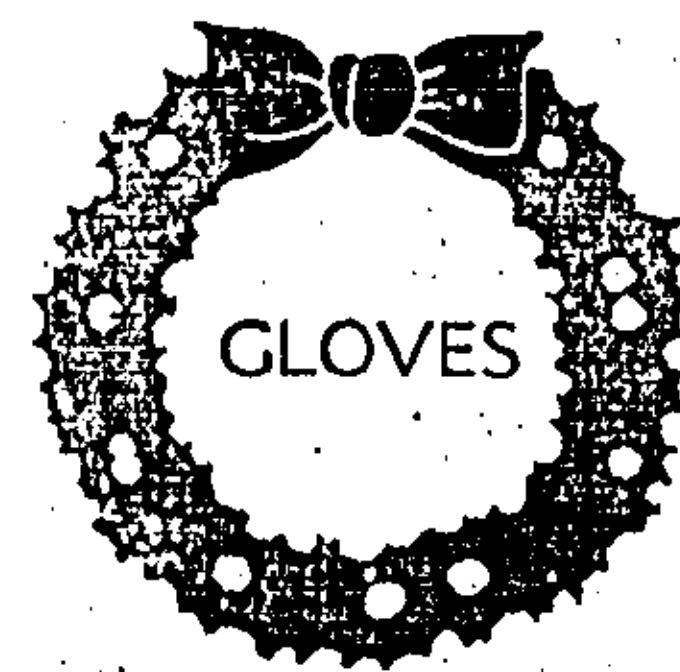
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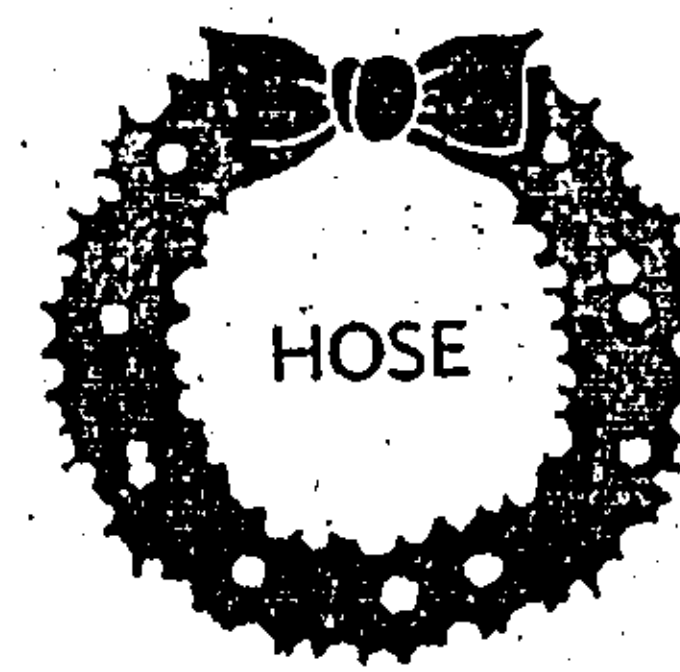
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STOCK MARKET REPORT

The Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued at 12.30 p.m. December 17, says:

The market was quiet but steady during the short session.

Buyers

Douglas \$61	H.K. & S. Wharves \$115
H.K. Docks (old) \$115	H.K. Docks (new) \$115
H.K. Docks (old) \$115	H.K. Docks (new) \$115
Providence (old) \$2.50	Providence (new) \$2.50
H.K. Lands \$35	H.K. Lands \$35
H.K. Realities \$115	H.K. Realities \$115
Star Ferry \$115	Star Ferry \$115
Sandakan Lights \$103	Sandakan Lights \$103
Watsons \$7.40	Watsons \$7.40
Entertainment \$4.40	Entertainment \$4.40
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 0% pm	H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 0% pm
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan par.	H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan par.

Sellers

Hongkong Bank \$1,340	H.K. & S. Wharves \$117
H.K. Docks \$115	H.K. Docks \$115
H.K. Realities \$115	H.K. Realities \$115
Dairy Farms \$24	Dairy Farms \$24
Lane, Crawley & Co.	Lane, Crawley & Co.
Constructions \$14	Constructions \$14

Sales

Hongkong Bank \$1,335/30	H.K. & S. Wharves \$115
H.K. Docks (old) \$115	H.K. Docks (new) \$115
Star Ferry \$115	Star Ferry \$115
H.K. Lands \$35	H.K. Lands \$35
H.K. Realities \$115	H.K. Realities \$115
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United Paracales \$2.50	United Paracales \$2.50

U.S. Trade Pact With Turkey

Ankara, Dec. 18.

A trade agreement, based on the most-favoured-nation clause, has been signed between Turkey and the United States, according to a semi-official Turkish news-agency.

Payments to Turkey by the United States are to be made by way of a clearing system.—Trans-Ocean.

Exchange At A Glance

SELLING

T.T. London	18. 2 1/2
T.T. Shanghai	17. 2 1/2
T.T. Singapore	100 1/2
T.T. Japan	100 1/2
T.T. India	83
T.T. U.S.A.	28 1/2
T.T. Manila	58
T.T. Batavia	53 1/2
T.T. Bangkok	100 1/2
T.T. Saigon	100 1/2
T.T. France	100 1/2
T.T. Germany	71 1/2
T.T. Switzerland	127 1/2
T.T. Australia	1/6 1/2

BUYING

4 m/s L/c London	1/3 1/4
4 m/s D/p do.	1/3 1/2
4 m/s L/c U.S.A.	29 1/2
4 m/s France	11 1/2
30 d/s India	84 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in Lon.	4.07 1/4

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By Order of the Board of Directors,
NOEL BRAGA, Secretary.

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning:

BANKS

H.K. Banks	\$1,335
H.K. Banks, Lon.	\$70
Chartered Bank	\$27 1/2
Mercantile, A. & B.	\$27 1/2
Mercantile, C.	\$13
East Asia	\$88

INSURANCES

Canton	\$210
Union	\$485
China, Underwriters	\$75
H.K. Fire	\$182

SHIPPING

Douglas	\$81
Steamboats	\$80
Indo-China, P.	\$24
Indo-China, D.	\$17 1/2
Shell Beavers	\$9
Waterboats	\$9

DOCKS ETC.

Wharves	\$117
Docks, (old)	\$18 1/2
Docks, (new)	\$20
Pro (old)	\$50
Pro (new)	\$50
New Eng. Sh.	\$50
Sha. Docks, Sh.	\$100
Kallan	\$18
Raub	\$9 1/2
Venz: Goldfield	\$3
Hongkong Mines	\$2 1/2

MINING

Antamoks	\$48 1/2
Atoka	\$25
Bagulo Gold	\$23
Benguet Coal	\$12 1/2
Coco Grove	\$48 1/2
Cons. Mines	\$27 1/2
Demonstrations	\$27 1/2
L.K.L.	\$25
Paracales	\$25
San. Maurice	\$1.00
Suyce Consol.	\$20 1/2
United Paracales	\$20

LANDS

Hotels	\$67 1/2
Lands	\$35 1/2
Lands, (deb.)	\$107 1/2
Sha. Lands	\$9.40
H.K. Realities	\$5
Chinese Estates	\$90

UTILITIES

Tram	\$17.10
Peak Trams (old)	\$34
Peak Trams (new)	\$34
Star Ferry	\$71 1/2
Y. Ferries (old)	\$22 1/2
Y. Ferries (new)	\$22 1/2
China Lights (old)	\$10.30
China Lights (new)	\$10
H.K. Electric	\$17 1/2
Sandakan Lights	\$10 1/2
Telephone (old)	\$23.50
Telephone (new)	\$8.00
Traction (old)	\$21/3
Singapore Pref.	\$25

INDUSTRIAL

Cald: Macg. (ord.)	\$14
Cald: Macg. (Pre.)	\$15
Canton Ices	\$1.70
Cements	\$15.80
Ropes	\$4.25

STORES, &c.

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Watsons	\$74.5
Crawfords	\$8
Sincere	\$2
Wing On (H.K.)	\$30
Powell, Ltd.	\$28

COTTON MILLS

Ewo Cotton Sh.	\$10.40
Shai Cotton Sh.	\$100
Zoong Sings	\$24
Wing On Textiles, Sh.	\$40

MISC.

H.K. Entertainment	\$40
Vibro. Pilling	\$7
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925	\$13 1/2
G.S. Bonds	\$73 1/2
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan	0% pm
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2%	par
Marsmans (Lon.)	\$15/8
Marsmans (H.K.)	\$15/8

Spy Confession Not Believed

Los Angeles, Dec. 18.

George Mill, aged 28, was arrested when found hiding to-day in the fuselage of a bombing plane at the Vultee aircraft plant.

He said that he had been "in spy business for 18 years."

The authorities doubted his sanity, and have ordered a mental examination.—United Press.

LETTERS

Petition For Peace

To the Editor, Hongkong Telegraph.

Sir,—None realises more than the Peace Pledge Union that Mr. Neville Chamberlain is making a sincere effort to create and establish peace in Europe and the world generally, by his policy of appeasement, but it is the conviction of the Peace Pledge Union that permanent world peace depends upon a fundamental and general settlement.

It is the belief of the Union that permanent peace cannot be secured by competitive armaments, through sacrifices imposed upon small nations, or by exclusive arrangements between groups of major Powers. The Union therefore urges the necessity of holding a new peace conference open to all nations and directed towards remedying the economic and political conditions likely to lead to war.

To this end it prays that His Majesty's Government will take in consultation with the President of the United States of America, the necessary steps to secure the holding of such a conference, after adequate preparation, and to offer the fullest collaboration of Britain in bringing the negotiations to a successful issue. The Hongkong group of the Peace Pledge Union, unanimously associated itself with this petition, which is to be presented in due course to His Majesty's Government, and cordially invites residents of Hongkong to add their signatures to it. Copies of the petition are now in the hands of members of the Peace Pledge Union in Hongkong, through whom signatures to the petition can be made, or alternatively the petition can be signed upon enquiry at the Challenge Book Shop, 1st floor, Queen's Building, Ice House Street.

Publication of this letter in your valuable columns, in order to bring the petition before your readers, will be very warmly appreciated by the Hongkong Group of the Peace Pledge Union.

I. A. SHORT,
Hon. Sec. H.K. Group, P.P.U.

Manila Broadcasts

Sir,—I wonder if any ZBW official listened in to the Manila station last night and heard the beautiful rendition of the First and Second Acts of Gilbert and Sullivan's "H.M.S. Pinafore."

Two hours of solid opera usually leaves me bored, but I must confess that I listened enthralled to last night's broadcast from Manila.

In the apparent absence of local artists who can give us this sort of concert, would it not be possible for ZBW to relay the Sunday night concert from KZRM? They are much preferable to the Sabalino programme, we usually get from the local station. Incidentally, is there any reason why ZBW relays should be confined to Davenport?

DARTFORD.

Cinema Critic

Sir,—One of the reasons why I avoid going to cinema houses in Hongkong unless the programme is an outstanding one is the terrific blaring from behind the screen. I am sure the local picture houses could obtain greater European patronage if they would cease giving their entertainments a headache along with their entertainment.

Hongkong seems to be one of the few cities where the maximum, after the film is inserted into the projector, is "let her go." No attempt seems to be made to control the volume of sound.

This seems to apply to every theatre in the Colony with the possible exception of the King's Theatre, where some sort of control is exercised.

CINEMADDICT.

The First Shot

Sir,—With reference to the article "Man Who Started War Meets Men Who Ended It," published in the Hongkong Telegraph on Wednesday the information, I think, is incorrect, since the first shots were fired on June 28, 1914 at the Archduke Franz Ferdinand and his wife at Sarajevo, in the morning, by a printer who failed to hit his mark, and who murdered both.

After various protests by the governments concerned, Austria, backed-up by Germany, sent Serbia an ultimatum, with which it was impossible for Serbia to comply in the time. When the ultimatum expired Austrian artillery commenced to shell Belgrade.

I take it that one of the above incidents should be considered the "First Shot of the Great War."

If the heading is meant to read "The First Britisher to Fire a Shot," again I think it is incorrect. This controversy was settled by a paragraph, published in the Daily Mail, about 1931, and read, almost word for word, as follows:

"It is said that Corporal Thomas of the Dragon Guards fired the first shot of the Great War, however, the shot of the Royal Marines is parol credited with having fired the first killing shot on board H.M.S. Amphion which sank the German minelayer Konigin Luise on August 5, 1914. This gallant marine now lies buried in Bury St. Edmund's Churchyard, Suffolk."

The Daily Mail also meant it to read "The First Britisher," at least, I think so.

The above action took place before the British Expeditionary Force landed in France, which I think was late in August, 1914; so, to credit Corporal Thomas with being the "First Britisher to Fire a Shot" in the Great War, would be more appropriate than "First Britisher," I treasure the above cutting very much, having served close on six

OFFICERS DEFEATED AT MACAO

Home Side Scores Goal in Each Half

Macao, Dec. 18.

In sunny weather, fine hockey was witnessed in Macao this afternoon by a large crowd when the Army met a team from Hongkong in the Clubhouse at the end of the month, after the house as a defaulter and shall, ipso facto, cease to be a member if, at the expiration of one week, the account still remained unpaid, unless the Stewards saw fit to order otherwise.

It had been suggested, went on Counsel, that Article 70 did not apply to this case because the account was disputed.

There was nothing, he submitted, in the Article to induce one to take such a view, and the only question was whether the account had been paid or not.

The Club could only be faced with the possibility of libel when the Stewards had posted a member and later found that he had been wrongly posted.

Another remedy for the member to take, in such circumstances, was to take action in the Summary Court and recover the money.

COULD SELL MEMBER'S GEAR

Continuing, Counsel submitted that the account was unpaid, but why it was unpaid did not alter in the slightest degree the construction of Article 70, the whole object of which was that members might be posted.

It had been laid down in the Club's bye-laws, that the Club might sell Mr. Brayfield's gear, and that could be done then why in the world could not the Stewards post him up? The reason why the account was unpaid did not matter at all under that Article.

Mr. Macnamara interrupted and said that his point was that as the account was disputed it was no longer unpaid.

Mr. Potter replied that there was no question of dispute so long as the Stewards were satisfied that the account had in fact not been paid. The Club's articles should not be construed in the way in which the members and the Stewards could not take action under Article 70, no matter how unreasonable a member might be.

Mr. Potter then went on to submit that even assuming that Article 70 did not exist, the action taken by the Stewards was privileged, and quoted a number of cases on qualified privilege to support his contention.

The Stewards, he said, had a duty to perform in the interests of members and they were entitled to post a name up, as members had the right to know whether any account had been paid or not.

There could be no argument on the language of the Article because the duty was imposed on the Stewards.

DOES NOT MATTER

His Lordship: Does it not make any difference when they regard their duty with elasticity? We know as a fact that they did not post every outstanding account automatically.

Mr. Potter: It does not matter if they had the power to do it. If you could prove misuse of a rule of this kind, then you may argue on malice, but it does not remove privilege in any shape or form. I submit the privileged occasion exists. It is the duty and only the duty of the Stewards and I don't care if their decision was right or wrong. Their duty to do this thing is imposed on them by Article 70.

Counsel was about to continue his arguments on the question of malice, when Mr. Macnamara got up and submitted that the Court should now decide whether a privileged occasion did exist before hearing arguments on malice. If it held there was not, then the question of malice should be left to the Jury.

Mr. Potter replied that his submissions were elementary for if the Judge found there was no malice then the case should be dismissed at once. It was impossible to let the case go to the Jury before the Court had decided there was malice or not.

His Lordship decided to hear on the question of privileged occasion first, before hearing arguments on the question of malice.

Big Crowd Watches Soviet Funeral

Moscow, Dec. 18.

Hundreds of thousands assembled in the Red Square for the funeral of Mr. Chkalov, prominent Soviet pilot, to-day.

For two days many thousands filed past the coffin.

To-day, the urn containing the cremated remains, was carried from the Red Square to the Red Square by Mr. Stalin, M. Molotov and other Soviet leaders, where orations were delivered, and then, amid a salute, and the strains of a funeral march, the urn was carried to the Kremlin wall, where it was placed in a niche. The last salute was given by bombers and light fighting planes, which flew over the Square.—Reuter.

French Envoy For Insurgent H.Q.

Paris, Dec. 18.

The appointment of an official French trade representative to Burgos is advocated in to-day's "Internationale" because France, in order to carry out her re-armament programme, is badly in need of pyrites from Insurgent Spain.

Prior to the present difficult situation, France, according to the paper, imported 1,000,000 tons of pyrites, of which two-thirds came from Insurgent Spain. Now France needs much more, and the remaining world market is unable to meet the demand.—Trans-Ocean.

Big Fire Destroys Dutch Rail Centre

Utrecht, Dec. 18.

The main railway station here was completely destroyed by a fire which broke out on Saturday night, and which was not extinguished before midday to-day.

Damage was so extensive that a complete new station will have to be built.

Operations of the fire brigades, which were reinforced by brigades from Amsterdam, were greatly impeded by the severe cold and a violent wind which constantly re-kindled the flames.

Fortunately no human lives were lost, but the material damage was considerable.—Trans-Ocean.

Criticism Of Suez Canal Levies

Genoa, Dec. 18.

Italian and German shipping interests are drafting a memorandum to submit to their respective business circles here.

The memorandum will give figures of Italian and German traffic in the Suez Canal, will set forth technical facts, and will criticise the high canal dues.

Italian and German shipping circles recently considered the possibility of taking the Cape route to the East, but it was decided that this was only practicable for ships travelling to and from Australia.—Reuter.

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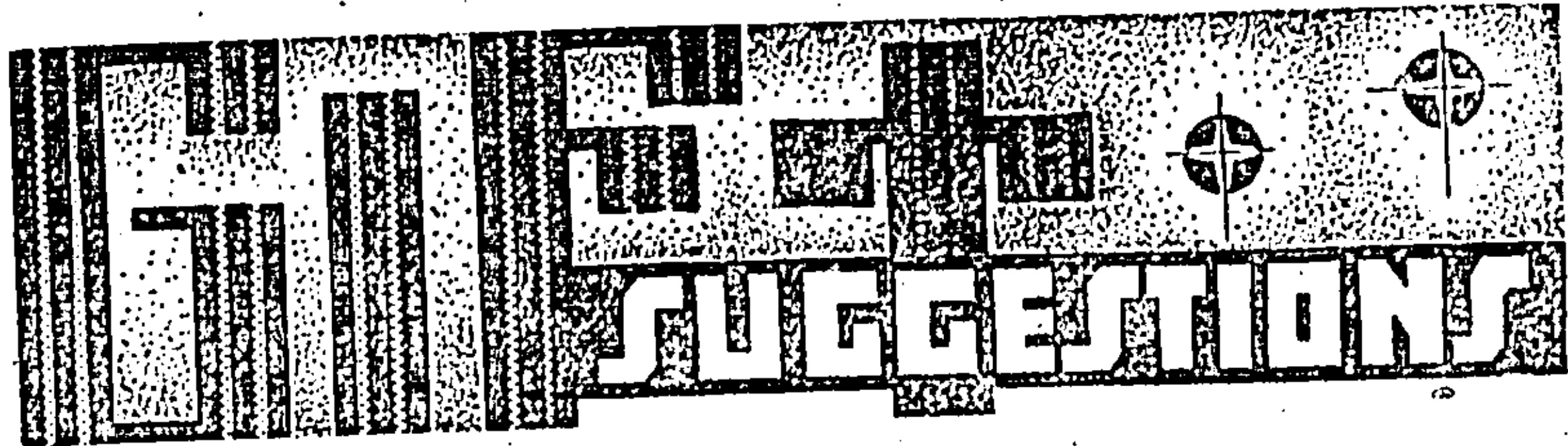


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ASSAULT ALLEGED

Two Naval Stokers Before Court

Charged on two counts of assault, two British sailors, First Class Stokers Henry Frederick Reginald Allridge, 21, and Thomas Gore, 20, both of H.M.S. Diamond, appeared before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy on Saturday, and were remanded to-day for the case to be re-opened before another Magistrate, owing to a misunderstanding on the part of Mr. Forrest.

Both defendants pleaded not guilty to charges of assaulting Lau Chu, 36, a house-boy employed at No. 104 The Peak, at Lockhart Road on Saturday morning, and assaulting Detective Constable C324, Tsang Tak, at the same place and date. His Worship, however, understood the defendants to plead guilty to the first charge, and not guilty to the second, and thereupon asked for evidence on the second count only.

Tsang Tak stated that he was on duty in Lockhart Road about 2 a.m. Saturday when he heard police whistles. He saw a sailor identified as Allridge, chasing some people. Allridge appeared to be drunk. He went up to the sailor, informed him he was a policeman, and by the light of his electric torch showed Allridge his police identification card. Allridge, after saying something he did not understand, suddenly struck witness a blow under the chin. Witness then left, and telephoned to Wanchai police station for assistance. Detective Sub-Inspector W. N. Darkin arrived and saw Allridge and Gore to accompany him to the station. Gore did not strike witness.

His Worship discharged Gore on this count. Defendant Allridge said he was talking to a group of friends in Lockhart Road when a beggar began pestering him. He told the beggar to go away, and the man crossed the road and joined a group of men, and began saying something in Chinese. Defendant crossed the road to find out what they were saying, and he was joined by Gore and two Royal Scots, who apparently thought he needed assistance.

After chasing the men, Allridge said he made to rejoin Gore, who was standing in the middle of the road talking to the detective. As he joined them, one of the Royal Scots came up, and, pulling defendant away, struck at the detective.

Asked by Inspector Darkin why he had not informed him that it was a soldier and not himself who had struck the detective, Allridge said the soldiers had then gone. Questioned by Mr. Forrest, Allridge admitted that he had a few drinks, but denied he was drunk. He said he had a clear recollection of what happened.

His Worship said he would discharge the defendant, as in the circumstances it was quite possible that the detective had made a mistake. The detective had said he was shining his torch on his card when the blow was struck.

Inspector Darkin said he had further evidence to offer on the charge of assaulting the house-boy, which was connected with the assault on the detective, and Mr. Forrest remarked that he understood the defendants had pleaded guilty to the first charge.

Inspector Darkin said that was not the case. Defendants were thereupon remanded in naval custody for the case to be re-opened.

A NAVAL PARTY

Officers' Club Dance At Peninsula Hotel

The annual private dance of the Royal Naval Commissioned and Warrant Officers' Club was held at the Peninsula Hotel on Saturday evening, when the members entertained their friends to a thoroughly enjoyable evening. Nearly 350 members and friends attended, and among those present were Commodore E. B. C. Dicken, O.B.E., D.S.C. and Mrs. Dicken; Captain C. B. Barry D.S.O. and Mrs. Barry; Surgeon Captain G. V. Hobbs, M.C.S.A. and Mrs. Hobbs; Commander (E) and Mrs. E. V. Lewis; Commander (E) and Mrs. P. C. Taylor; Commander W. C. Jenks.

Novelty prizes were presented and the high spirits prevailing were ample evidence that the efforts of the organising Committee, Messrs. Brain, Cawley, Cooper and Duffy, had been appreciated by all.

WAR CORRESPONDENTS

Journalists Sail For Shanghai

Passengers who joined the Lloyd Triestino liner Conte Biancamano yesterday when she sailed for Japan included Mr. Hildegarde Hansen, journalist, whose despatches from China have made him a notable. He is going to Shanghai.

Mr. Hansen arrived in Hongkong a few days ago after a trip which took him from Peking through Shensi and territory further west to Chungking. From Chungking he travelled to Kweilin, where he caught a plane to Hongkong. In all, he travelled about 3,800 miles and was absent about six months.

During his journeyings Mr. Hansen sent graphic despatches to Associated Press. He travelled light and had to buy clothing and other equipment here.

In the light of Mr. Hansen's operations interest attaches to the following reference to the enterprise of Associated Press, made in the November Time: "The Associated Press sent a correspondent southward from Peking on June 11 to plunge into guerrilla land and get the story of the guerrilla activities. His despatches are now reaching the U.S. by mail. For the present the A.P. dares not divulge his identity. When it does come out his name will be listed in U.S. journalism's evanescent hall of fame... as one who went through danger and discomfort to find the big story of Chinese operations deep in the interior behind Japanese front lines."

Mr. Clark Lee Leaves
Mr. Clark Lee, of the Associated Press, who had been stationed in Hongkong, also departed by the Conte Biancamano. He is going to Tokyo.

Mr. Lee was accompanied by his wife, who, as Princess Liluokalani Kawananakoa of Hawaii, recently came to the Colony for the marriage.

MURDER MYSTERY

Chinese Found Dead Bound with Rope

"Murder by some person or persons unknown," was the verdict returned by a jury at the conclusion of an inquiry, before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy on Saturday, into the death of a man named Liu Sam, 29, whose body was found near a stream on a hill in Kowloon City on August 28.

Members of the Jury were Messrs. G. Currie (Foreman), Choa Boon-chew and Derek Nickson.

The deceased had a rope around his hands and head, tightly wound around his neck three times and firmly under the left ear. Three loops loosely encircled the left wrist and the rope continued under the right arm pit, being tied firmly around the right wrist.

Medical evidence was that the deceased had been strangled, and that he could not have committed suicide. The deceased's brother said that he suspected a man named Lam Chiu-tung, an old friend of the family.

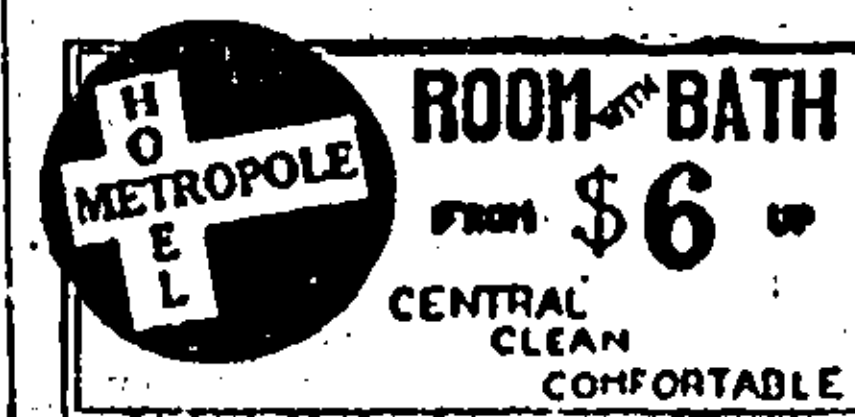
Inspector A. E. Carey said that there was no information about Lam Chiu-tung who was said to have absconded.

Mr. Macfadyen addressed the Jury and said that the deceased could not have been strangled unless, probably, two or three men had been involved. Without retiring the Jury returned the verdict as stated.

LOOKING INTO THE FUTURE

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common occurrence in China, especially at the time of any crisis, or great national calamity. In view of the fact that the Chinese people place such great importance on such phenomena, it is certain that the dissemination of the words of such a prophecy will be a potent factor in the restoration of the national moral. This is the view of many of the Chinese 'intellegensia.'



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6.30 Closing local Stock Quotations. 6.32 Sea Shanties.

Songs Of The Sea (arr. Terry); Intro: Whisky Johnny; Sally Brown; Let The Bulbine Run; Blow My Bully Boys; Billy Boy; Johnny Come Down To Hilo; Blow The Man Down; Rio Grande... Royal Naval Singers (Porthmouth) cond. by C. T. Lee, R.N.

6.40 New Light Symphony Orchestra.

Zampa—Overture (Herold); Triana (Albeniz); Spanish Dance No. 3 (Granados); "The Dubarry"—Selection; Irish Washerwoman (arr. Sowerby); Turkey, In The Straw (Guilou).

7.10 The B.B.C. Variety Orchestra. Lulworth Cove (Shadwell); Manhattan Moonlight (Alter); Curtain Up (Ballerina Suite—A. Wood)... with Reginald Foort at the BBC Theatre Organ.

7.20 Jane Carr, Hildegarde, George Formby, and New Variety.

Vocal—Cafe-Chantant (Wal-Berg) Dania (Vocal) accom. by Wal-Berg and His Orchestra; Impressionist—The Singing Lesson (Carr) Sun Butling (Carr)... Jane Carr; Dance Orch.—Alexander's Ragtime Band—Selection (Irving Berlin)... New Mayfair Dance Orchestra; Vocal—The Moon Got In My Eyes (Johnston)... Hildegarde with Orchestra; Dance Orch.—In A Little Toy Sall-bone—For-Trot; Small Fry—Slow Fox-Trot (film "Sing, you Sinners")... Gerardo and His Orchestra with vocal refrain; Comedian—George Formby Medley... George Formby with His Ukulele and Orchestra; Cinema Organ—The Wind Has Told Me A Story—Tango; Puzza (Mihaly)... Reginald Foort at the B.B.C. Theatre Organ; Vocal w. Orch.—The Lambeth Walk (from "Me and My Girl")... Lupino Lane with Teddie St. Denis and Company.

8.0 Time Weather and Announcements.

8.03 Carroll Gibbons (Piano) and His Boy Friends.

Aln' She The Dainty (Theme Song "Aunt Sally"); I Want A Fair And Square Man (Theme Song "Aunt Sally")... Carroll Gibbons and John W. Green (Piano Duet) with Their Boy Friends; Nymph Errand—Selection (Cole Porter)... Carroll Gibbons and John W. Green (Piano Duet) accompanied by Their Boy Friends; It's An Old Southern Custom (Meyer); According To The

Moonlight (Meyer)... Carroll Gibbons (Piano) and His Boy Friends; Midnight In Mayfair (Chase)... Carroll Gibbons (Piano); With Thee I Swing (Adlam)... Carroll Gibbons and His Boy Friends; Foolin' Myself (Tinturin)... You're Here, You're Everywhere (Loeb)... Carroll Gibbons (Piano) and His Boy Friends.

8.30 Songs by Robert Ashley (Baritone)... With All My Heart (film "Her Master's Voice"); Bird On The Wing (Gross); Moon For Sale (Henderson and Rosen)... with Orchestra.

8.40 Concert Waltzes. Rosentavaler Waltzes (R. Strauss)... Bruno Walter conducting the Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra; The Last Waltz (Oscar Strauss); Donauwaller, Waltz (Ivanovitch)... Edith Lorand Orchestra; North Sea Waves—Waltz (Kranig)... Orchestra Mascotto.

9.0 London Relay—Increased Facilities.

For the passage of wheeled vehicles, for instance velocipedes, invalid chairs, and ambulances; A Programme in celebration of the Jubilee of the Pneumatic Tyre, patented by John Boyd Dunlop in 1888. The speakers will include; Mrs. Jean McClintock the inventor's daughter; Thornton Rutter and Captain G. E. T. Eyston, holder of the world's land-speed record from the house in Belfast where the invention was made.

9.20 Songs by Richard Crooks (Tenor).

One Alone ("The Desert Song"—Romberg); When You're Away ("The Only Girl"—Herbert); You will remember Vienna (film "Viennese Nights"—Hammerstein and Romberg)... with Orchestra.

9.30 London Relay—The News.

9.50 Dance Music.

Fox-Trot—Shall We Dance (from the film); Slap That Bass (from "Shall We Dance"); Harry Roy and His Orchestra with vocal refrain; Tango—Siempre Unidos... Orquesta Tipica Francisco Canaro with vocal refrain.

10.0 London Relay—Ups And Downs.

A radio plaything written by W. Farquharson Small and based upon Frank Stockton's short story "A Tale of Negative Gravity" Production by W. Farquharson Small.

10.35 Charpentier—Impressions d'Italie.

Orchestre Symphonique de Paris under the direction of Gustave Charpentier.

11.0 Close down.

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J.H. from England	10.24
The E.S. and A. Robinson Ltd.	50.00
Ming Tok Club, "Aberdeen"	17.55
The Chartered Bank of I.D. & C.	1,000.00
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Further donations from Chinese Bankers of Hongkong	50,000.00
Messrs. Uderup & Co.	50.00
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Mrs. Lam Sau-kee	50.00
Total	\$350,067.47

AMBULANCE BRIGADE

New Centres Being Set Up In Chinese Territory

In a letter to the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, Hon. Secretary of the local branch of the British Fund for Relief of Distress in China, Professor W. I. Gerard on December 7 appealed, as Assistant Commissioner of the St. John Ambulance Brigade in Hongkong, for funds to help in covering the heavy outlay upon relief work in the New Territories. The St. John clinics on the mainland are dealing with huge numbers of refugees and the Medical Department of the Hongkong Government has requested all possible assistance. At the suggestion of the Hon. Director of Medical Services, the St. John Brigade is in charge of the Ellis Dugdale at Fanling, which has been equipped out of the Brigade

funds as a maternity hospital for refugees. A full time medical officer, Dr. Makar, of New Zealand who is on his way back from work in Central China to New Zealand, is in charge of this hospital. Dr. Makar is giving his services but requires all available assistance in the form of supplies and nursing staff. In addition to Dr. Makar there are four nursing staff who need some small remuneration and food supplies. New treatment centres are being established at the request of the Government Medical Department at Namtan, Shantakok and Shamchun. These are in Chinese territory. The Shamchun centre is to have accommodation for 60 beds. This would be the largest of the three treatment areas, the staffing of which St. John Ambulance Headquarters in Hongkong had been asked by the Government Medical Department to provide. Professor Gerard pointed out that the staff includes an experienced surgeon and 10 nurses. This entails ample financial provision. Special

Vaccination centres in charge of St. John Ambulance Brigade have been instituted at San Tin, Ha Chuen, Heung Un and Lan Pau San.

Kam Tin Maternity Centre

In the Kam Tin Maternity Centre, 32 cases as in-patients were recently being treated.

Extra beds and bedding were purchased out of Brigade funds. Extra expense was being incurred in transporting the excess of maternity cases from Kam Tin centre to either Ellis Dugdale Hospital at Fanling or the maternity centre at Tsuen Wan, the latter also filled beyond capacity.

Since the commencement of the refugee relief measures by the St. John Ambulance Brigade and Association, an excess expenditure of H.K.\$4,000 per month has been incurred.

Professor Gerard therefore made an urgent plea for a sum of H.K.\$10,000 towards the Brigade's funds.

On December 16, the Hon. Mr. Lo sent a cheque for \$10,000, granted from the Fund.

LEPERS CHRISTMAS FUND

The S. C. M. Post has received the following donation to the Lepers Christmas Fund:

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Total **\$53.00**

DONATIONS WAITING

Donations are lying at the Business Office of the South China Morning Post for the following:

Chinese Soldiers' War Relief; Emergency Refugee Council; "B.F.R.D.C."; Tung Wah Hospital; St. Vincent de Paul; Salvation Army.

POPE GIVES AUDIENCES

Rome, Dec. 17. Pope Pius XI received several ecclesiastical dignitaries in private audience yesterday. —Trans-Ocean.



Funeral service held in Park for Ernst vom Rath, German diplomat fatally wounded by Herschel Grynszpan, 17-year-old Polish Jew. Scene is in the German Lutheran church, with Baron Ernst von Weizsacker, German Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, delivering the sermon. The body later was taken to Dusseldorf, Germany, for burial.

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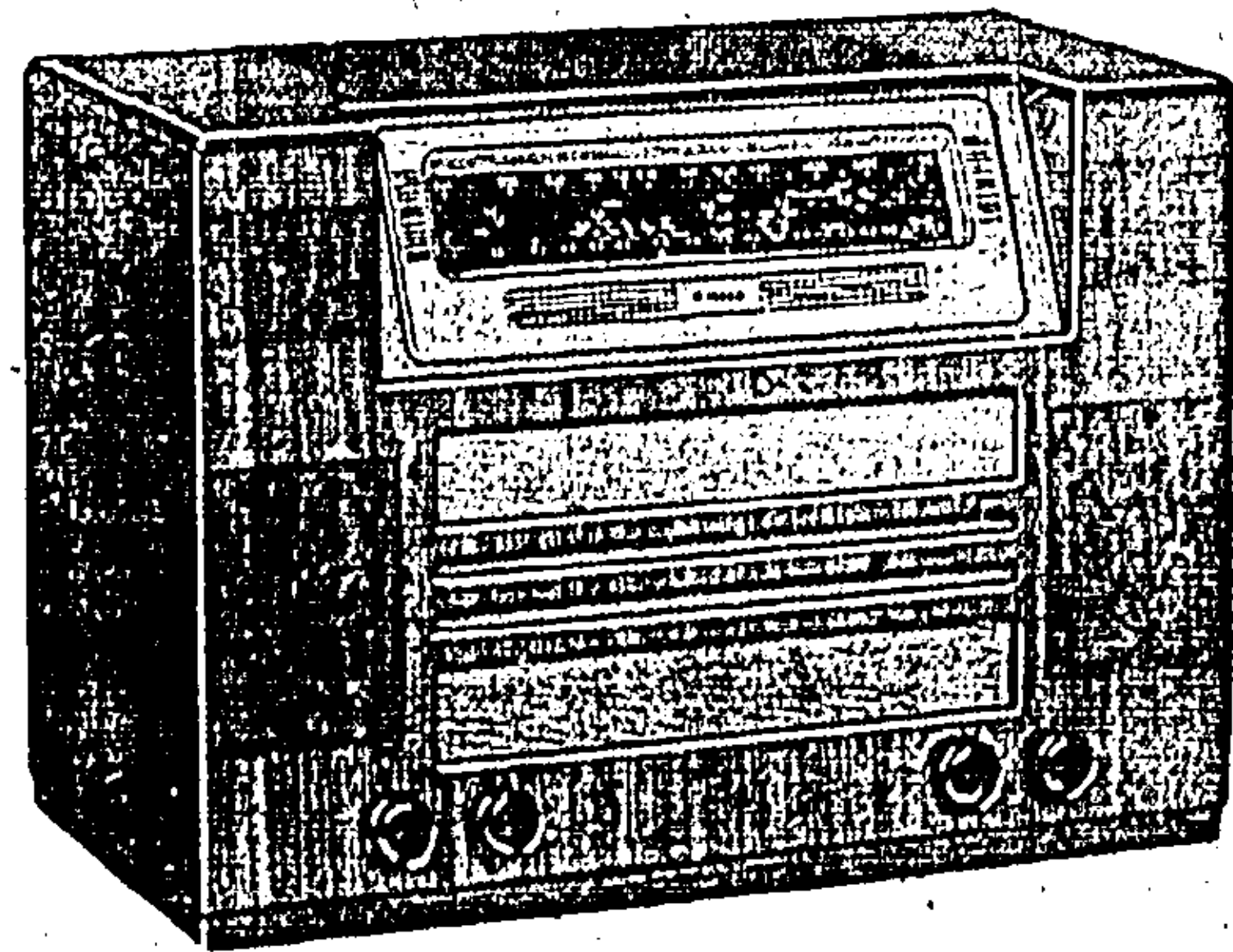
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REFUGEE RELIEF

Post At Shumchun And Shataukok

As from Saturday, the Casino at Shumchun has been made available to refugees for medical service and general relief assistance under the guidance of the Emergency Refugee Council and the St. John Ambulance Association.

A start was made with transporting those Chinese willing to leave the New Territories for Shumchun yesterday when the railway authorities gave assistance with an engine and two trucks. The engine made several trips from Sheung Shui to Shumchun and took over one hundred refugees and their meagre belongings who are establishing themselves in the Casino and adjacent buildings.

The relief centre was established at the Casino early in the day. The Wai Young Association of Hongkong had previously established a relief centre at Shumchun, but it is now being used for the thousands of refugees encamped in the grassy hills or in the open at Sheung Shui, San Tin and Mai Po, to return to their villages where these lie in the non-occupied zone.

The discovery of a number of cases of Cerebro Spinal-Meningitis, Small-pox and Measles among the refugees is a potent reason why the return to Chinese territory is desired by the authorities. Lack of water and of adequate sanitary arrangements call for unremitting vigilance by the medical authorities to prevent these diseases attaining epidemic proportions.

The three camps at Fanling and the one at Kam Tin are still functioning, with but slightly decreased numbers, and the Joseph Memorial Hall still in use as a hospital. At the Casino, a small observation ward and first aid facilities are available and a strong effort will be made to persuade the refugees that it is quite safe for them to return to their homes in this area.

Labour Shortage
In this connection, the work of the Wai Young Association has been particularly commended. This Association has been investigating cases in the Wai Young area and, if it is safe, has personally assured the Wai Young people that they should return. A good margin is left between safe and suspect territory and the refugees are assisted with passage money if necessary. A large number of the refugees from this district are middle school or university people and they are co-operating in the Association's aims, while for the coolie class refugees there is the inducement of a strong labour demand in the Wai Young district.

Arrangements have been made with the Tai Ping Shipping Company by which the Company ferries passengers across Mui Shui to Sha Yu Chung twice a day at a fee reduced from 70 cents to 35 cents, which is often paid by the Association in the cases of destitute persons.

The position is not quite so happy in Po On district where, despite repeated assurances that the area is devoid of Japanese, the evacuated countryfolk, numbering more than 2,000, are afraid to return from the New Territories. Most of those who do go back merely collect personal effects and return by ferry to Un Long. A few days ago, a small accidental fire started and there was immediately a panic-stricken cry that the Japanese were responsible.

The Emergency Refugee Council has plans for establishing a refugee camp at Shek Hui in Po On to look after returning refugees, and a responsible person will be dispatched there as soon as the association responsible for the natives of this area can induce them to return. It is further hoped to start a similar base opposite Lokmatshau.

INSTRUCTING REFUGEES

Local Women's Associations Start Career Teaching

The destinies of the several hundreds of better educated Chinese who have now been in Hongkong as refugees for over a year, and seem to be permanently domiciled here, has been taken in hand by the Hongkong Chinese Women's Club and the Women's Christian Temperance Union of China, local branch.

A scheme costing about \$10,000 a year is being put into operation whereby genuine refugees who cannot return to their native villages in

Children's Sports

Santa Claus Visits The Bowling Green Club

A most enjoyable afternoon was spent on Saturday when the Kowloon Bowling Green Club held their eighth annual children's sports. By kind permission of Captain E. J. P. Reid and Officers of H.M.S. Birmingham, the Marine Band rendered selections; a special race was arranged for members of the band. At 6 o'clock the jingle of sleigh bells heralded the approach of Santa Claus, and when he came down the "chimney" he was greeted with heaps of awe from the children. Mrs. J. D. Thomson distributed the prizes to the following winners:

Patrol Race for Boys (8 to 14 years)—1. D. White; 2. A. Macfarlane.
Sweeping Race for Girls (8 to 14 years)—1. J. Sturgeon; 2. M. White and F. McKelvie (dead heat).
Flat Race for Boys (4 to 7 years)—1. K. Armstrong; 2. R. Boyce.
Flat Race for Girls (4 to 7 years)—1. E. Sheriff; 2. Annie Jenkins and J. Cave (dead heat).
Foot Race for Boys (all ages)—1. V. Lechart; 2. J. Sturgeon.
Foot Race for Girls (all ages)—1. E. Sheriff; 2. J. Sturgeon.
Three-legged Race for Boys (all ages)—1. G. Clarke and J. Sturgeon; 2. V. Lechart and J. Lanchester.
Flat Race for Girls (8 to 14 years)—1. M. Campbell; 2. M. White.
Sack Race for Boys (8 to 14 years)—1. D. Garton; 2. M. Anderson and J. Lanchester (dead heat).
Musical Chairs for Girls (all ages)—1. M. White; 2. J. Thompson; 3. J. Cave.
Three-legged Race for Boys (all ages)—1. G. Clarke and J. Sturgeon; 2. V. Lechart and J. Lanchester.
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China and who have been more or less stranded in the Colony since the early part of the hostilities will be trained to some useful avocation in workshops and lecture rooms. The first workshop has been opened for women refugees at No. 5-7, Des Voeux Road West.

"As the social and relief problems have now become so acute, and the constant appeals for relief more frequent, the need for a centre of this kind is most urgent," states the Committee. "Our object is to relieve unemployment for refugees, to instil the spirit of independence and citizenship, to work and give active service in all manner of trades and art."

Compulsory Attendance

The executive Committee is represented by Mrs. Li Fong (Chairman), Mrs. Herman Liu (Secretary), Mrs. Li Shu-pul (Treasurer).

The organisation is divided into four sections—Planning Committee which will attend to the technical production and personnel; Business Committee for sales and business; Finance Committee to raise funds for production; Education Committee to educate all workers.

It will be compulsory for all workers to attend classes for two hours a day to gain knowledge in civic education, industrial knowledge in theory and practice, international relationships, public health, life problems, care of children, etc. Applicants must be actual refugees from war areas between the ages of 18 and 50. Each one is required to work eight hours per day, and attend two hours of night lectures. Each worker will be allowed \$5 per month living expenses, and after two months' apprenticeship every person will be given a certain percentage on the sales of her (or his) handwork.

The estimated budget would be \$10,000 per year. At the end of fiscal year any proceeds exceeding \$10,000 will be divided 40% for the expansion of work for the following year, 20% to the staff, 40% to be equally distributed among the workers.

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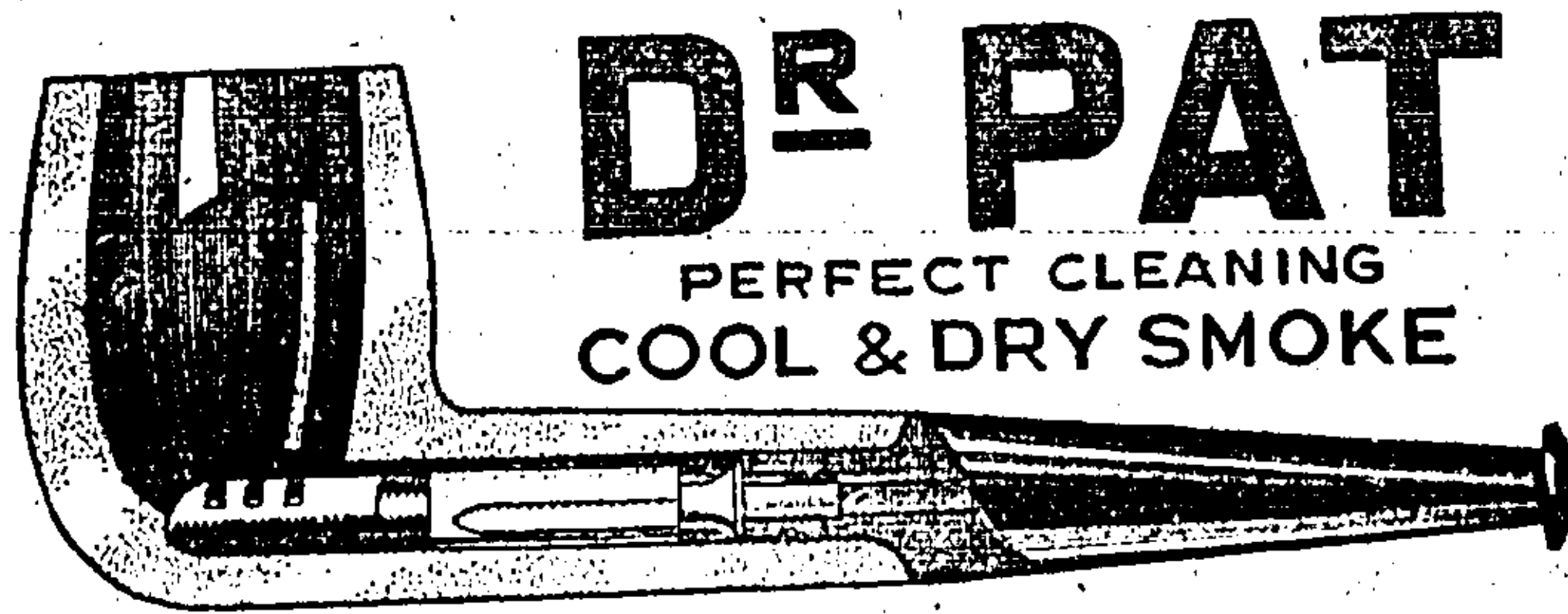
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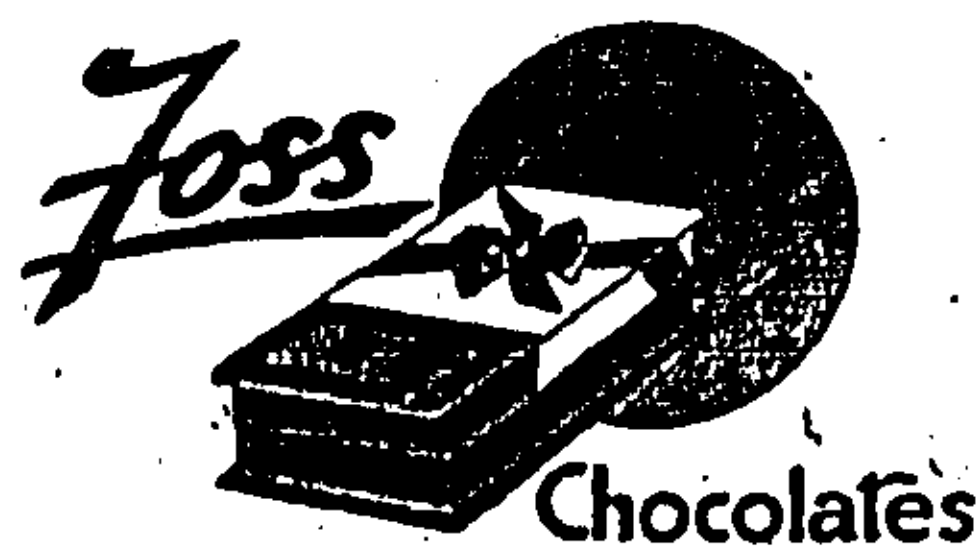
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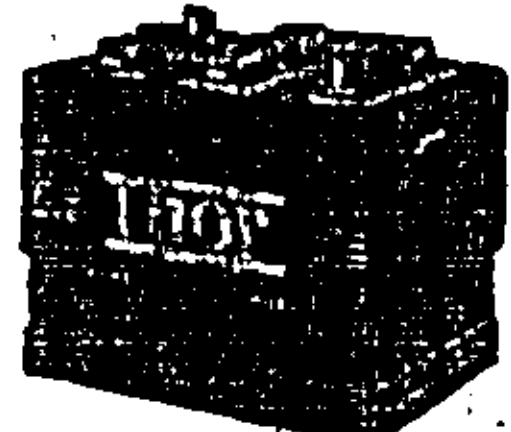
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DEATHS

ISBISTER.—On December 17, 1938,
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John Duncan Isbister, aged 67
years, late chief engineer of s.s.
Kong So, native of Greenock,
Scotland. (Shanghai and Singa-
pore papers please copy).

WHITE.—On December 18, at
Kowloon Hospital, James Sin-
clair White, aged 54, late Marine
Engineer of s.s. Folk On.

On December 19, at Kowloon
Hospital, Dorothy White, aged 57
years, beloved wife of James
Sinclair White.

Funeral Services at Colonial
Cemetery Chapel, Monday, De-
cember 19, at 5.15 p.m. (San-
Francisco, Shanghai and Canton
newspapers please copy).

The
Hongkong Telegraph.
Wyndham St., Hongkong
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December 19, 1938

Street Sellers

WHILE COMMENDING the
worthiness of the causes, we
cannot refrain from voicing
what we believe is widespread
exasperation at the methods
employed by street collectors for
certain charities.

Hundreds of children, many
of whom should have been at
school, descended on the streets
on Saturday, to sell roses on be-
half of a charitable organisation
which, presumably, obtained
sanction for the collection from
the Commissioner of Police.

We hasten to state, by way
of parenthesis, that there is no
question whatever regarding the
bona fides of any collection pre-
viously authorised by the Police.

The methods employed, how-
ever, are becoming so menacing
that some system of control is
not only necessary but im-
perative.

Few Europeans, especially at
this time of the year, refuse to
support legitimate collections
for charity, and Hongkong can
justly say that it meets the
many demands made upon its
citizens with liberality and good
grace.

Good grace was noticeably
absent on Saturday, when each
European, as he or she stepped
from ferry, bus, tram, rickshaw
or car, or walked from shop to
street, was surrounded by ten
or twenty screaming and im-
portuning children, some of
whose antics suggested that
they had learned their lessons
in good manners from the beg-
gar children of Wanchai or
West Point.

There is a distinction between
an appeal and begging. On
some occasions, during recent
charity drives, that distinction
appears to have been over-
looked.

We would suggest that strict
control should be exercised by
the Police Department in grant-
ing permission to organisations
to launch street collections.
Either school-children should be
prohibited altogether from be-
ing used as collectors, or the
number of collectors should be
limited.

AFRICAN ABC

A GERMAN ENVOY arrived in
London yesterday. He is there
to talk about Colonies.

When Germany discusses colonies
she means, first of all, the continent
of Africa. That is a part of the
world about which we in Hongkong
are going to read plenty in our
newspapers in 1939.

This article tells you who
owns Africa and what its
owners get out of it.

Africa has an area of 114 million
square miles. It is owned—with
the exception of Egypt, Liberia,
and the Union of South Africa—
by six Powers, whose total area is
600,000 square miles, seventeen and
a half times smaller than Africa.

The six Powers are Britain,
France, Spain, Italy, Portugal and
Belgium. The two Powers richest
in African possessions are Britain
and France.

France has 41 million square
miles of African territory—37 per
cent. of the total continent. Her
colonial subjects there number 30
millions.

BRITAIN'S territory ex-
tends over 2,602,700
square miles—less than
France, but her native subjects
number nearly 62 millions.

British Africa, including areas
held under League of Nations
mandate, consists of Nigeria
and the West Coast colonies,
Uganda, Kenya, Tanganyika, and
Nyassaland in the east; the self-
governing dominion of the Union
of South Africa (with its manda-
ted ex-German territory), the
Rhodesias; and the Anglo-Egypt-
ian Sudan.

British African colonies produce 42
per cent. of the palm oil, nearly 50 per
cent. of the cocoa and 12 per cent.
of the copper in the world.

French African colonies produce 41
per cent. of the phosphates and 13
per cent. of the ground-nuts (for edible
oil) in the world.

Belgian Africa, 940,810 square miles
in area (eighty-five times larger than
Belgium herself), produces eight per
cent. of the world's copper.

IN 1936 Kenya, with two
battalions of the King's
African Rifles perma-
nently stationed there to defend
order, exported 84 million pounds
worth of maize, coffee, sugar, tea,
tin ore, cotton and cottonseed (for
cultivation), hides and skins, ivory,
tobacco and wool.

Of this colony's 7 million pounds
worth of imports 60 per cent. were
purchased from Britain and her posses-
sions.

Exports from the Gold Coast totalled
124 million pounds, and imports (of
which 74 million pounds' worth came
from Britain) 114 million pounds.

Exports from the Rhodesias totalled
114 million pounds. Imports totalled
94 million pounds, and half of them came
from Britain.

The total exports of British Africa
in 1937 were worth 92 million pounds.
Imports totalled 145 million pounds.

An approximate yearly total of
exports from French Africa is 55 mil-
lion pounds' worth, with imports total-
ling the same.

Belgian African trade amounts to
roughly four million pounds' worth
of exports and imports of seven million pounds.

Italian exports and imports were
two millions and sixteen millions re-
spectively.

Portuguese exports totalled four
million pounds' worth. Imports
three million pounds' worth.

The German Colonial possessions

in Africa handed over at Ver-
sailles to the conquering Powers
were Togoland and the
Cameroons, divided between Brit-
tain and France; German East
Africa (now Tanganyika) given to
Britain, apart from a small piece
which fell to Belgium's lot; and
German S.W. Africa, which went
to the Union of South Africa.

THESE German colonies
had a total area of about
a million square miles
and their total native population
was between eleven and twelve
millions.

Of the total of 208 million
pounds' worth of exports from all
Africa in 1936 only 12 millions
were contributed by the ex-Ger-
man colonies.

Incidentally, the share of the
entire African continent in world
production is relatively small.

Africa supplies only 3.7 per cent.
of the world's raw materials. In
1936 her contribution to world
trade was 6.7 of the total com-
pared with Europe's 51.7 per cent.

The most useful thing to do
is to quote from an admirably
informative two-shilling pamphlet,
"Germany's Claim to Colonies,"
issued by the Royal Institute of
International Affairs.

"Judged by their share in world
production," says this pamphlet,
"the ex-German colonies are at
present relatively unimportant
sources of raw materials."

THE only two materials
of which they provide a
large part of the world
supply are sisal-hemp (Tangan-
yika) and vanadium—used for the
manufacture of steel (South West
Africa).

"They also produce about five
per cent. of the world's phos-
phates, palm-oil (chiefly British
Cameroons), copra—coconut ker-
nels producing oil for soap, mar-
garine, and candles (chiefly New
Guinea), and cocoa (French
Cameroons and British and French
Togo).

The point in which Germany is
interested, however, is the relation
of these territories' resources, not
to world production, but to her own
requirements."

The mandated ex-German territories
could (according to figures taken from
a German source) supply Germany
with more than sufficient sisal, with
nearly enough phosphates, and with
about one-third of the cocoa, one-
quarter of the bananas, and one-
seventh of the vegetable oils which she
ordinarily requires; while the gold from
New Guinea and Tanganyika and the
diamonds from S.W. Africa would also
be useful.

Dr. Goebbels has declared that "the
basic materials of modern industrial-
ism are coal, iron, oil, cotton, rubber
and copper." Not in one of these six
materials could Germany's require-
ments be at present met to any serious
extent by the Mandated territories.

The total exports of the ex-German
colonies in 1936, it is pointed out,
amounted to less than one per cent.
of Germany's imports.

One other point may be worth a
mention in view of Hitler's claims.
The budgets of all these territories—
except one, the smallest—when they
were German possessions showed a
steady deficit year by year.

Bible Of 1600 Stolen

Covington, Ky.
Mrs. George Klyland, returning
from a four-month vacation, reported
to police that \$1,000 worth of valu-
ables had been stolen including a 900-
year-old German hymnal and Bible.

Art Director Decorated

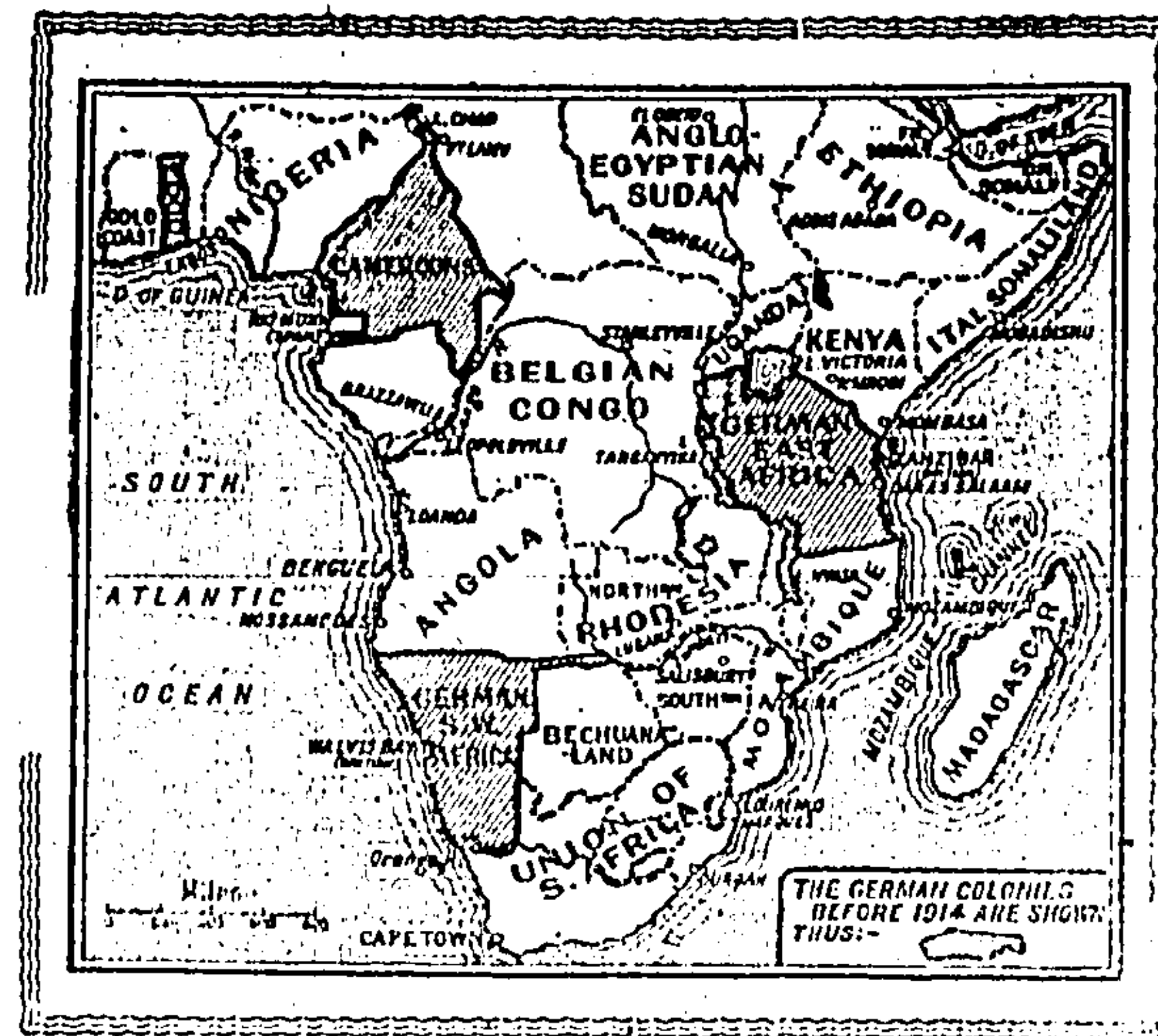
Cleveland, O.
Sweden, Hungary and Italy have
awarded decorations to William M.
Milliken, the Cleveland Museum art
director, for his services to the arts of
the three nations.

GRIN AND BEAR IT

By Lichty



"YOU complain of a hard day at the office? Why, my work has
just begun!"



Looking Into The Future

PROPHECY, or the revelation
through supernatural in-
spiration of events to come, has
always been a subject with a
universal appeal. The possi-
bility that one through the
perusal of some ancient text
may gain a concrete knowledge
of what may be expected to hap-
pen is too intriguing to be re-
sisted. Consequently, almost
every nation may be said to have
its quota of allegedly divinely
inspired prophetic works, and
these exert tremendous influence
wherever they are studied.

Most of these prophetic books
originate, of course, in the East;
for the Eastern races perhaps en-
joy a closer and more perfect
communion with Nature, and it
is therefore in order that the
continent which produced the
great religions of mankind
should likewise take the lead in
prophecy.

Thus, as is well known, the
ancient nation of Israel was dis-
tinguished in this respect, and
those scriptural portions of the
Old Testament which contain
prophetic utterances have been
greatly revered throughout
the ages, and it is commonly be-
lieved that very many of them
have come true.

THE Chinese, even more per-
haps than the ancient Hebrew
people, take interest in the pre-
diction of future events, and
therefore prophecies of any de-
scription have always received
the widest circulation. Every
word of a forecast of things to
come is seized upon with the
greatest alacrity, and if any por-
tion of it turns out to be even
partially true, it at once becomes
sacred in the eyes of the masses
of the people.

One of the most famous pro-
phetic books of the Chinese is a
little volume known as the
"T'ai-pooi-to," or "Chart of Op-
posing Backs," which is said to
have been composed by two
celebrated individuals, Yuen
"Tin-kong" and Lei Shun-fung,
who lived during the fifth cen-
tury A.D.

These two men were reputed to
be deeply versed in the secrets of
nature which the Chinese call the
"Ng-hang Yam-yeung chi Lei," or
the "Reasons of the Five Ele-
ments and the Masculine and
Feminine Principles." It is in
reality a Chinese theory of the
future course of history, and is
based upon the hypothesis that
every three hundred years, more
or less, "a small rebellion is to be
expected, and every five hundred
years, more or less, a great re-
bellion." After the latter has
subsided, a new government
emerges out of the chaos, and
the work of tranquillising the
country begins.

It is to be expected that the
Chinese believe that there are
references in this little book to
the present crisis, and it is popu-
larly regarded in much the same
light as the Apocalypse of St.

John the Divine among Christian
people. Unfortunately, however,
the language of the book is like
that of most oracles such as
those of ancient Greece which
were composed in such an ob-
scure manner that they might
be interpreted to fit any circum-
stance.

For instance there are some
couplets which are interpreted
as directly referring to the pre-
sent conflict, but as the same
verses were interpreted some
eighty or more years ago to re-
fer to the presence of the Eng-
lish in the Middle Kingdom, it is
difficult to place much credence
in the present interpretation.

THE Chinese, however, like
many superstitious Western-
ers are accustomed to search
through all their prophetic books
in order to explain the trend of
the times. Consequently, the
present national calamity has
been thought to have been fore-

By
**T. Paul
GREGORY**

told five hundred years ago, and
by no less a prophet than Lau
Pak-wan, a famous worthy of
the Yuan or Mongol Dynasty.
This individual is credited with
being a seer as gifted as the
prophet Daniel, and it is interest-
ing to quote the following from
a vernacular newspaper relating
to the recent discovery of a re-
markable prophecy in Siu Hing
in Chekiang province:

"On the 24th November, work-
men excavating near the base of
the Sin Yin Bridge at Lo Lung
unearthed a remarkable stone
about 2½ feet in length and 1½
feet in breadth upon which were
graven the words: 'Wool-t'in-pei,
or 'The Tablet that responds to
Heaven.' Further investigation
disclosed that the stone bore a
prophetic inscription signed by
Lau Pak-wan. The inscription
was as follows:

"Hei ts'at-ts'at. Tsung ts'at-
ts'at. K'el-Ning-Yuet-Hon. Om
mo t'in yat. Yan Woo Sham-
yap. Yat kwoo ts'im-mit. Ng
Yuet ying kit. No-lik! No
lik!"

"(The war) shall begin with
a double seven, and it shall end
with a double seven. Upon
Chihli, Nanking, Kwangtung
and Hankow shall come such
darkness as when the sun is
obliterated from the heavens.
Lure the Huns (i.e. the Japane-
se) to the heart of the coun-
try. Sound the drums and
destroy them utterly! Ye
heroes of the Kiangs and
Kwangs exert all your energy!
Comment, of course, is super-
fluous; for, the appearance of
such prophetic inscriptions is of
(Continued on Page 5.)

'Belle Of The Devil' Faces Murder Charge

PARIS.

MOULAY Hassen, once-famous dancing girl, known as the "Belle of the Devil," and the "Woman Landru of Morocco," faced the court at Fez, Morocco, recently, charged with the murder of a woman, a dancer named Cherifa, and complicity in the murder of four others.

Witness after witness in the packed court-room, described fantastic orgies which went on in Hassen's secret dance salon in Meknes, scene of the alleged crime.

Colonel Maure, of the French Foreign Legion, in a statement revealed how at Fez in 1932 Moulay-Hassen saved 20 French officers from death during rioting.

LED 30,000 MEN

"At that time," he declared, "she ran a night club full of beautiful dancing girls, which was always crowded with French officers and was visited by some of the highest officials of Morocco."

"She was the idol of the wild group of Mussulmen known as Alasouwas. I remember her riding at the head of 30,000 of them on their fete day, when they cut themselves with knives to prove their belief that wounds cannot harm them."

"She wore strings of pearl necklaces and priceless bracelets. Her horse was led by tall Negroes, clad in red and gold."

"By sheer personality she exercised a power over these natives."

STRUCK WITH CLUB

A man named Smilla, who helped to run the salon, confessed to the police that he was concerned with her in the murder of Cherifa.

He declared, "Cherifa was one of four girls whom Moulay Hassen decided to get rid of. They were desperately ill and half-starved."

"Early on September 21, Moulay picked up a wooden club and stunned Cherifa with a terrific blow on the head. Then she called me and, pointing a revolver at me, handed me the club and screamed, 'Kill her or I kill you.' I struck Cherifa again with the club and she fell dead."

"Some days later Moulay Hassen cut up the body and disposed of the pieces in sacks."

It is now alleged that four other girls found dead had met a similar fate.

Canada Will Train British Pilots

London.

Canada is to help Britain by training thousands of young men as air pilots.

They will be taught at civil training schools and also at the aerodromes of the Royal Canadian Air Force, writes a Home correspondent.

Plans are well advanced for the supply to Britain of fast Canadian bombers and fighters, and further ways of employing Canadian resources to supplement our own gigantic expansion programme are being investigated.

A large foundation order has already been given for bombing machines which can fly the Atlantic. Orders for the types will probably follow as the Canadian industry is built up.

The same manufacturing methods as those in our shadow factory scheme are to be employed.

Within two years the Royal Air Force should have substantial reinforcements from Canada both in machines and pilots.

EMPIRE NEWS

BAN ON PAINTED NAILS

Cape Town.

It is announced that women who join in the official festivities to welcome the Voortrekker Centenary overlanders in Johannesburg may not smoke or paint their finger-nails.

Swiss Won't Have Anti-Semitism

The Swiss Government has announced the introduction of legislation forbidding "participation in any action against democracy."

It also forbids participation in any agitation against citizens of a different race or in such agitation as anti-Semitism.

Zero Smith Enrolls

TUSCALOOSA, Ala.

A University of Alabama student who entered college this fall had two strikes against him before he started school as far as his chances of making good grades are concerned. His name was Zero Smith, of Birmingham.



The Duke of Windsor, wearing service medals, smiles broadly as he greets Sir Eric Phipps, British Ambassador to France, at the Armistice Sunday service in Paris, at the British Embassy church.

THE NAVY AND ITS AIR ARM

GREAT WORK OF EXPANSION SURVEY OF PROGRESS

In July, 1937, it was announced that the Fleet Air Arm was to be transferred to full Admiralty control. In a very short time its strength in "first line" aircraft will be greater than that of the Royal Air Force before the air expansion started in 1936. The Navy Estimates for 1938 set aside the sum of £5,718,000 for the Fleet Air Arm, all but £618,000 of this amount being earmarked for material—principally aircraft.

The orders relative to the formation of what is really a new Service within the Navy have appeared piecemeal during the last eleven months. It has been impossible for the uninitiated to grasp any idea of the work that has gone on behind the scenes, or the really tremendous strides that have been made in a comparatively short time with the willing and helpful co-operation of the Air Ministry.

PILOTS AND OBSERVERS

The Admiralty already had its corps of naval pilots and observers; but in February last it was announced that the Fleet Air Arm would be officered partly by officers of the Royal Navy and Royal Marines specialising in air work; partly by officers serving in a "Short Service Air Branch," and employed entirely on naval air duties.

Candidates between the ages of 17½ and 23 would be entered as midshipmen (A) or sub-lieutenants (A) for a normal period of seven years, of which the first two would be spent in naval and flying training. Thereafter, they would serve for eight years on an emergency list, during which they must keep themselves in flying practice and undergo periodical training.

By arrangement with the Air Ministry, a limited number of R.A.F. officers serving, or having served, on short service commissions, were also permitted to transfer to the Air Branch, Royal Navy.

The current Navy List shows one captain, 31 lieutenants, 58 sub-lieutenants, 32 acting sub-lieutenants,

and 53 midshipmen, all of the new Air Branch. This number will presently be increased by many new entries.

Very briefly, naval ratings of the seamen, signal and telegraphist branches with certain qualifications between the ages of twenty-one and twenty-four, may become pilots in the Fleet Air Arm. They undergo flying training on shore lasting one year, followed by eight weeks at sea in a training carrier. The normal period of flying service, before passing on to a flying reserve, is seven years, though this may be extended.

R.N.V.R. (AIR BRANCH)

A recent Admiralty announcement inaugurated an Air Branch of the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve for candidates between the ages of seventeen and twenty-three, who will be enrolled as midshipmen (A) and sub-lieutenants (A). They will be used as pilots and observers, and will undergo a preliminary full-time training of eighteen months with the usual pay and allowances of their rank.

Thereafter pilots will be required to keep themselves in flying practice, and all officers will do annual or biennial training. After the first ten years' service officers may volunteer for further periods as R.N.V.R. (A) officers for ground duties.

This scheme provides a valuable flying reserve, and offers excellent training to young men leaving their public schools or universities who wish to take up aero-nautics as a profession, or to indulge in flying as a hobby.

Air gunners are provided from the seamen, signal, and telegraphist branches of the Royal Navy, the men having to possess certain qualifications and to be not more than twenty-two years old. They undergo a special course lasting about eight months in air gunnery and the operation of wireless, and afterwards serve in aircraft-carriers or ships fitted with catapults.

After eighteen months' service aboard they may be selected to qualify as "Observers' Mates" after a further course of about seven months. Warrant rank as Boatswains (O) will eventually be open to these ratings.



Attendants carry the French parachute jumper Denols from a field near Paris, after he made a successful parachute jump from 30,000 feet. His suit resembled that of a deep-sea diver, to protect him against changes in atmospheric pressure. Future stratosphere passengers may wear similar suits. Tests were by the Air Ministry.

LORD NUFFIELD'S GIFT TO STUDENT MOVEMENT

£25,000 For New Building

Technical officers for the F.A.A. will be provided partly from the engineer branch of the Navy, partly by officers of the Air Branch selected for technical work after completing a period of general duty in the Air Branch. Both classes will be qualified pilots and will also be trained in aeronautical engineering.

MAINTENANCE PERSONNEL

The maintenance personnel will eventually be provided by skilled ratings known as air artificers, air fitters, and air riggers, who will enter by passing the usual naval artificer apprentice examination between the ages of fifteen and sixteen. They will be sent to the R.A.F. No. 1 School of Technical Training at Halton for three years, on completion of which they go to sea for a year as air fitters or air riggers. Fifty per cent. of them will then be chosen to become air artificers after a further twelve months' training.

The semi-skilled air mechanics, divided into four branches for air frames, engines, ordnance, and electrical work, are drawn from among the seamen and stokers of the Navy, and are put through courses lasting between seven and twelve months in the R.A.F. establishments at Henlow and St. Athan.

The training of the young officers joining the Air Branch is typical of the inevitable complication of grafting a new and highly-mechanised Service on to an older one. For the first three months of their training they are sent to the Hermes for preliminary naval training in navigation, gunnery, seamanship, and the "Customs of the Service."

The next ten or twelve weeks they spend in ab initio flying training at an Elementary and Reserve flying training school run under R.A.F. auspices, where they are joined by officers of the Royal Navy and Royal Marines recorded for flying service, and those ratings chosen to qualify as pilots.

At the end of this period the Air Branch officers becoming pilots go to the R.A.F. Flying Training School at Netheravon for six months, and are trained to the same standard as the R.A.F. pilots. Thence they are sent to Gosport or Donibristle for two or three months specialised training in Fleet Air Arm work, culminating in an aircraft-carrier, at present H.M.S. Furious.

SKILL OF OBSERVERS

The observers, on the other hand, go to Portsmouth immediately after their period of preliminary training in the Hermes, where they are joined by others drawn from the executive ranks of the Navy. For two and a half months they undergo courses in signals, wireless, and gunnery, preparatory to being drafted to the School of Naval Co-operation at Ford, Sussex, for a period of air training lasting six months.

The work of these Naval observers is even more vital than that of the pilots. They must have a thorough

Lord Nuffield has decided to give £25,000 towards a new building for Student Movement House—the only international students' club in London. This announcement was made recently by Miss Mary Trevelyan, warden of the movement, at the celebration of the twenty-first anniversary of the club at its premises in Russell Square, London.

The service of rededication was conducted by the Archbishop of Canterbury—21 years to the day after his predecessor, Archbishop Davidson, had first dedicated the premises to the Student Movement.

Miss Trevelyan said that Lord Nuffield was very interested in the welfare of students. The gift is a splendid twenty-first birthday present, and will mean that the club is saved for future generations of students," she said.

"Our original appeal was for £55,000 for a new building. Towards this we have already obtained £10,000, and Lord Nuffield's donation therefore brings our total to £45,000. The new building, it is hoped, will be erected somewhere near London University and will include a big hall, restaurant, and library."

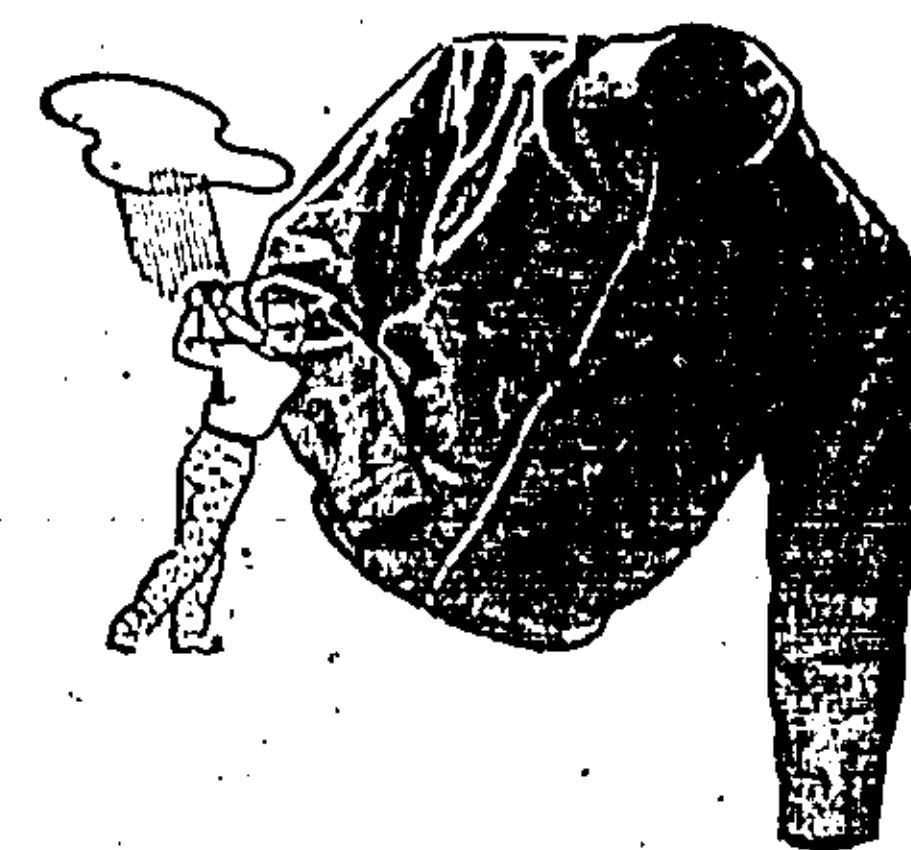
"Since it was started in 1917, in memory of students who fell in the war, the club has had a steady membership of about 1,000, among whom are students from sixty different countries. At the moment, for instance, we have working together Chinese and Japanese, Jews and Arabs."

In the last eleven years Lord Nuffield's known benefactions have been in the neighbourhood of £13,000,000. A few days ago a gift of £500,000 to provide at least one "iron lung" apparatus for every hospital in the British Empire was announced.

knowledge of wireless and communication procedure; of gunnery, with particular application to spotting the fall of shot; of the appearance of British and foreign ships of all sorts from the air; and of air gunnery and bombing. Since Naval aircraft fly over a trackless ocean some hundreds of miles from their parent ships, they must be something more than merely competent navigators, while in reporting the manoeuvres of an enemy fleet they are expected to give an opinion as to what these movements may portend.

Indeed, cribbed, cabined, and confined in the narrow seat of a bucking aeroplane travelling at perhaps two hundred miles an hour, with parachutes strapped on their backs and the roar of engines in their ears, Naval observers must not only make intelligible wireless signals and receive them, but must be prepared to use their bombs or machine guns, to see everything on the sea beneath or in the air above it, and to know the meaning of all they see. In short, so much depends upon them, their own lives and those of their pilots included, that to do their job successfully they must be paragons of nearly all the virtues that exist.

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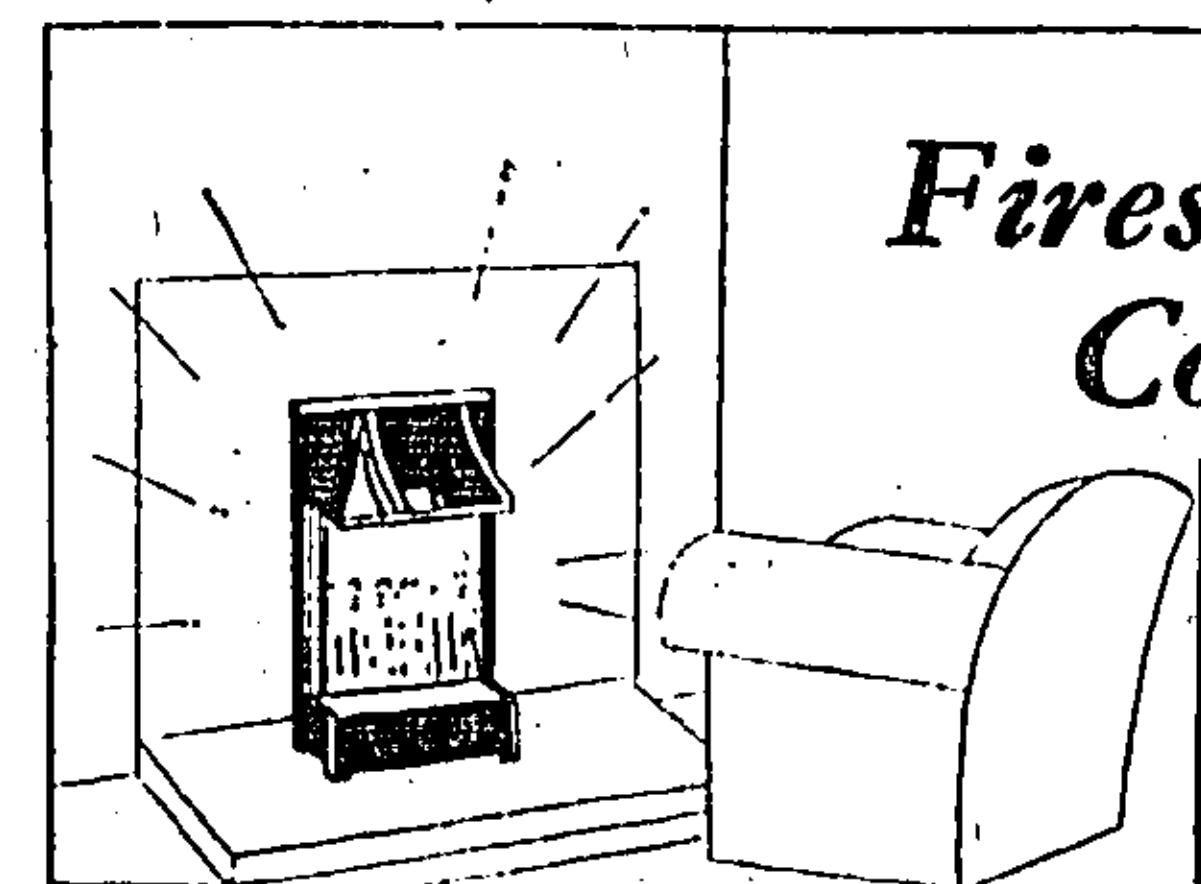


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ART EXHIBITION

Curious for New York And Paris Bazaars

Hongkong art lovers were delighted yesterday with their first glance at a wide collection of Chinese exhibits for the bazaars in New York and Paris in aid of Chinese wounded soldiers and refugees. The exhibition is being held at the Chinese Y.W.C.A., Bonham Road.

Streams of visitors poured into the hall where more than 2,000 curious and exquisite articles of Chinese make were on display. A small bronze vase about 2,400 years old, labelled with a minimum price of \$800 featured the magnificent stall of the Chinese National Women's Relief Association, which won the first honour in the campaign for its collection of no fewer than 1,000 exhibits. Other exhibits which attracted keen attention included Chinese paintings, embroidery and jade objects.

In an interview with the *Central News* Madame Sun Yat-sen, Chairman of the Hongkong Relief Bazaar Committee, expressed gratification with the enthusiastic and arduous work done by the Chinese women here. She said that they not only devoted much of their time to collecting exhibits for the bazaars but even contributed many of their own valuable art objects, which they would not have given away were it not in support of the national cause.

A glowing tribute was paid by Madame Sun to Madame C. C. Wu, who collected the largest number of exhibits on behalf of the Chinese National Women's Relief Association and played an important role in preparing the preliminary exhibition, also to Mrs. Li Siu-ki who personally contributed several hundred curios and ancient paintings. *Central News*. The articles on exhibition will be shipped at the end of this month to New York and Paris where they will be sold at bazaars to raise relief funds for China. They include many valuable pieces of jade, lacquer, bronzes and embroidery.

The bazaars are being held on the suggestion of Mme. Sun Yat-sen.

The New York bazaar will be sponsored by the China Aid Council and the American Friends of the Chinese People. In Paris, the sponsors are M. Edouard Herriot and M. Eliehn Constant. The Relief Bazaar Committee which has collected the articles is composed of five Chinese women's relief organizations in Hongkong.

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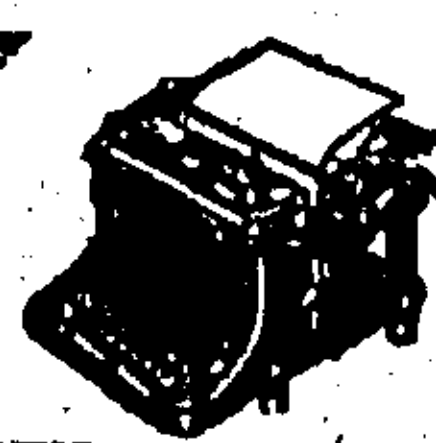
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JEWISH REFUGEES FOR S'HAH

Italian Liner Brings Party Of 528

Hangzhou in age from a man of 60 years to a boy of three months and including one family of 16, German Jewish refugees to the number of 528 passed through Hongkong by the Lloyd Triestino liner Conte Biancamano yesterday on their way to Shanghai.

Unlike those who have recently been arriving by small parties and who were able to save a little capital, those on the Conte Biancamano are mostly very poor, some of them having only the clothes they wear. Their number was greater when they left Europe, but about 40 of them landed at ports en route. None landed at Hongkong.

Very few of the refugees can speak English at all so that they welcomed representatives of the Hongkong Jewish Relief Society who met the ship and gave them full information about Shanghai, telling them that they would be met there and assisted by the Jewish Refugee Committee. For the most part they remained near the ship, buying an occasional blanket, where they could afford it, from the wharf hawkers.

The very needy found a friend in Mr. A. Landau, who was present on the wharf with a great basket containing 120 blankets. Through one of the refugee passengers who knew the circumstances of those on board he distributed these to the most necessitous cases, with special consideration for those with children.

Many of the refugees were completely unacquainted with the rigours of winter in Shanghai and were glad of the gift of a blanket. The donor intends to meet every ship bringing refugees and give what relief he can.

From Concentration Camps

The refugees included about 40 Jews who had been detained in concentration camps. Some of these declared that they had been released on condition they left the country within a certain brief time; those who could not escape by then were returned to the camps. These and many of the others, they stated, had been stripped of their belongings when they crossed the frontier of Germany.

Several described actual instances of persecution, one stating that he had seen a man forced into a box padded with nail points; the lid was then closed down on him.

"What you read in the papers is not nearly so horrible as what has been happening," one said. "The Jews are the victims of a murder organisation which has nothing to do with the real German public. For the people of Germany we have no

ROBBERS BEHEADED

Car Bandit in Germany Pays Penalty

Nuremberg, Dec. 17. Within a few hours of being sentenced for highway robbery, the car bandit, Willy Haller, aged 24, was beheaded at midnight. His girl accomplice was also sentenced to death but was saved from the headman's axe at the last minute by Hitler, who commuted the sentence to life imprisonment.—Reuter

hated and they have no hatred for us."

A man who had spent 10 weeks in a concentration camp stated that the beating and abuse were so ruthless that of 1,300 people in one of these camps 211 had died in 10 weeks. With eloquent gestures, some described how they had seen their fellows hanging from trees, either by the necks or, for torture, by the wrists.

The arrival of the Conte Biancamano's party will bring the total of Jewish refugees in Shanghai to over 1,000, and a number as great or greater is expected to pass through Hongkong by another ship in the near future.

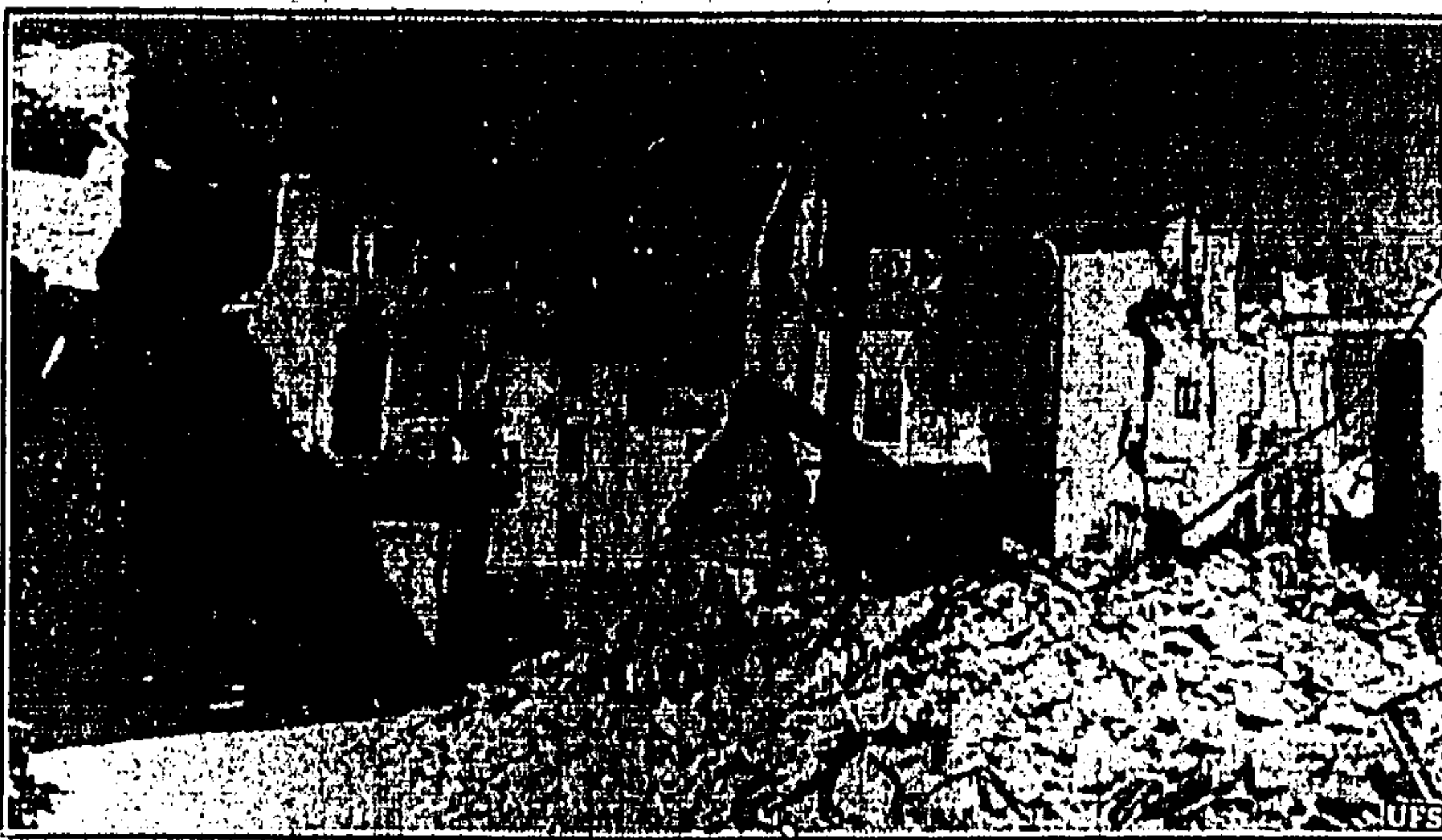
Position in Shanghai

Advices from Shanghai state that the International Committee for Austrian and German refugees has only \$3,000 in hand. This is expected to last only till the end of the year. The American Red Cross is being asked to assist with monetary support when the present reserve is exhausted. So far \$42,000 has been raised in Shanghai; most of this was given by 20 individuals.

The London Committee for Refugee Relief sent £500, and an urgent appeal to the Joint Distribution Committee of New York resulted in a grant of U.S. \$2,500. Every penny of this foreign money has already been spent.

Housing the new arrivals is one of the local committee's greatest worries. So far most of the refugees have been sheltered in three or four houses in Hongkong, but conditions are reported to be unsatisfactory. It is contended that the only possible way to house the refugees is through the renovation of existing houses in Shanghai, and in some instances this necessitates the providing of furniture and other equipment. The fact that such a large group is arriving during the winter months will also contribute to the hardship of the refugees, for at present the high price of coal makes heating a costly item.

One of the first sights which confronted the refugees when they landed in Hongkong yesterday was the standard from whose influence they had fled in dread—the Swastika. This symbol, on a big scale, appeared on the side of the steamer Sauerland, which was tied up nearby.



This mass of ruins is all that is left of a village on the Ebro front in northern Spain, after a heavy bombardment by insurgent artillery in an effort to dislodge the Loyalists from positions they gained last summer. A communiqué from Barcelona later admitted Loyalist forces had retreated across the river to former positions.

Y'S MEN'S CLUBS

New Regional Director For China

At the sixteenth annual convention of Y's Men's Clubs held in Toronto some weeks ago, Mr. Y. Lewis Mason of Shanghai was elected Regional Director for China, succeeding Mr. Wm. Vinson Lee, the founder of the Y's Men's Movement of "Fellowship, Culture and Service" in China, who has held this position continuously since 1924. In recognition of his continuous service, he has been appointed at the same Toronto Convention, Regional Director-Emeritus for China.

Mr. Y. Lewis Mason is a native of Hing, Kiangsu, a graduate of Tsing Hua College, B.A. from Colorado College, M.A. from Columbia University and M.C.S. from the New York University. Returning to China twelve years ago, he organized the Consolidated National Advertising Company of which he is a director and manager. He was a president of the Shanghai Y's Men's Club in 1936, is a director of the Shanghai Chinese Y.M.C.A. and has been chairman of the Shanghai Y's Men's Club since 1935.

POLICE DANCE

A Police Dance will be held in the Peninsula Hotel on January 6 next, from 9.15 p.m. to 2 a.m.

There will be "spot" prizes and the price of admission will be \$2.

Car Handle Clue

Woman's Injuries Lead To Police Inquiry

A door handle broken from a car is the clue on which traffic police are working to clear up the mystery of a Chinese woman's injuries shortly after midnight Saturday at the junction of Arsenal Street and Queen's Road East.

The woman Chang Yan, was found on the corner where extensive alterations to the route are proceeding, at about 12.30 a.m. She was seriously injured apparently as a result of being knocked down by a car, for a door handle, newly broken, was found at the spot. This clue was picked up by a Petty Officer of the Royal Navy with whom the Traffic Inspector at the Central Police Station would like to get in touch.

The Inspector would also welcome news of any car that is minus a door handle and may be connected with the accident.

MOTOR CARS STOLEN

Two Europeans Lose Their Vehicles

Mr. S. J. C. Burt, of 1 Tramway Path, had his motor car stolen on Friday night, but recovered it on Saturday. It was found abandoned

RETURN TO SHANGHAI

Seventh Day Adventists' Eastern Academy

Thirty-two students—16 boys and 16 girls—were aboard the Indo-China company's new steamer Talsang when he sailed for Shanghai yesterday. Their departure marked the return to Shanghai of the Far Eastern Academy of the Seventh Day Adventist Mission after its location in Hongkong for some months.

The academy was transferred from Shanghai when hostilities extended into the Yangtsepo area. At Shanghai its headquarters here were in premises formerly a private residence at Lam Tai, Castle Peak.

The school's return to Shanghai accompanies the transfer back of the Seventh Day Adventist Church organization headquarters.

The students were accompanied by the Principal of the Academy, Mr. W. F. Anderson, and four other teachers. Two teachers travelled by the Conte Biancamano and the remainder of the pupils and teachers will travel by the Conte Rosso after Christmas.

In the Peak district, and a ring with three keys was missing.

Dr. E. W. Stout, of Alexandra Building, also lost his motor car on Saturday. It was left parked in Connaught Road Central from 3.15 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Ostracised Jews

Italian Government To Expropriate Land

The new Italian regulations regarding Jewish land property in Italy include methods whereby the property can be expropriated, says Reuter Bulletin.

Of Austria's 300,000 Jews, 67,000 emigrated during the period between March 15 and December 2.

Over 45,000 Jews left the country before August 1, 1938 as refugees without permission of the state authorities, says a Trans-Ocean message from Vienna.

Posters are beginning to appear at numerous showwindows in Rome, Milan and other Italian cities stating that owners are Aryans, says Trans-Ocean.

Over 4,000 Jews from Europe will land in Shanghai in the near future revealed the spokesman of the Japanese Foreign Office in Tokyo.

Arrest of Smugglers

Cologne, Dec. 17.

About 10,000 marks worth of foreign currency and gold coins to the value of 800 marks which were being smuggled abroad were found hidden aboard the Dutch Rhine steamer Queen Emma by German customs guards.

Five Jews who were being taken to Holland contrary to existing regulations were also discovered on the ship, which has been confiscated. Four members of the crew and a woman passenger, alleged to be the leader of a gang of smugglers, have been arrested.—Trans-Ocean.

Doctor Shot Dead

Lausanne, Dec. 17.

The Chief physician of Lausanne University Clinics, Doctor Meunier, was shot dead at the Cantonal Hospital by a medical student, Emil Gruenberg, 26-year-old Rumanian Jew. Gruenberg committed suicide after the murder. He wanted to graduate and felt unfairly treated by Dr. Meunier.—Trans-Ocean.

APPOINTMENTS

The Rt. Rev. Bishop H. Vallorta and Mr. Li Jowson have been nominated as members of the Court of the University of Hongkong for a further period of three years as from December 17.

Mr. H. V. Wilkinson, B.Sc., has been nominated as a member of the Court of the University of Hongkong for a period of three years as from December 8.

Mr. Charles J. Roe has been appointed to act as Secretary to the Urban Council as from December 15.



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CANTON TO MACAO Japanese to Commence Steamer Service

Canton, Dec. 18. The Japanese will begin a regular steamer service between Canton and Macao on Tuesday for Chinese and Japanese passengers only.

The five-barred Chinese flag made its first appearance on buildings today since the revolution.—Reuter.

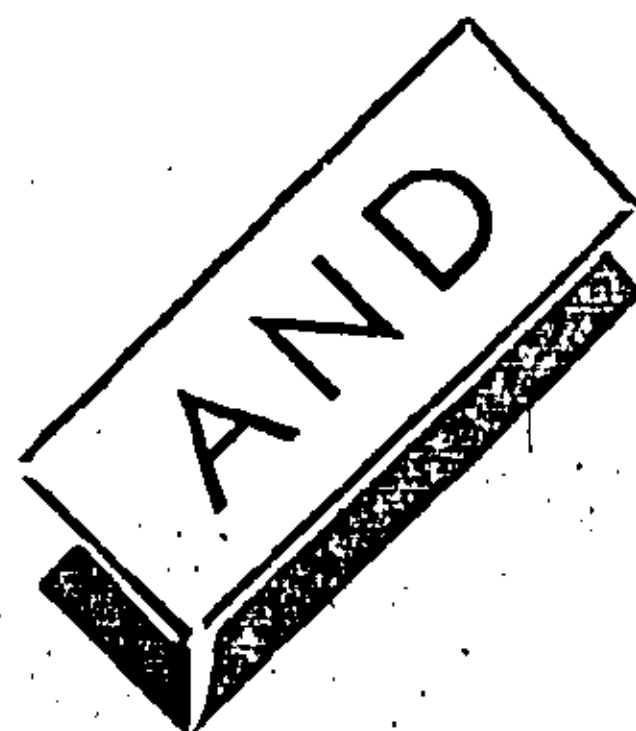
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Hongkong F.A. Eleven Defeated 4-0 In Charity Soccer

LEE WAI-TONG SCORES TWICE FOR CHINESE

Although at times they looked just as workmanlike as their opponents, the Hongkong F.A. eleven nevertheless were defeated by the Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation team by 4-0 yesterday at Caroline Hill in the charity soccer match.

Territorially, the H.K.F.A. team often had as much say in the matter as the Chinese; but their finishing was not so good, and the combination of the forwards did not always impress. All the same, the game was closer than the final scores would indicate.

"Star" attraction in the Chinese side once again was Lee Wai-tong, who made one of his now-all-too-rare appearances, and he did not disappoint the crowd, shooting two fine goals.

Watson, originally selected at right back for the F.A., was unable to play and his place in the team was filled by Hussain who, although not quite so reliable as the Middlesex man, was a tower of strength with his hefty clearances and the keen watch he kept over Lee Wai-tong.

BETTER COMBINATION

It is perhaps only to be expected that the Chinese combined together much more effectively than the F.A. players, particularly so in the forward line. Tang Kwong-sum, Fung King-cheung, Lee Wai-tong, Lai Shiu-wing and Hsu Ching-to were always more dangerous near goal than Thoburn, Leonard, Fowler, Hunt and Bickford. The latter quintette got quite close on a few occasions, but their efforts were not consistent enough to bother the splendid Chinese defence unduly.

The Chinese were the first to attack, and a nice passing movement was spoiled by Lai Shiu-wing shooting wildly over the bar.

The F.A. left wing pair then caught the eye with a fine movement, and Hunt's porting shot forced a corner from which Fowler headed narrowly over. Once more the Chinese missed an opportunity of taking the lead when Lai Shiu-wing made another hash of his attempt at goal. There was a thrill shortly after this when Lee and Hussain were engaged in a tussle for the ball near

the F.A. goal. The former won, but with only McAllister to beat, he shot yards wide.

CHINESE TAKE LEAD

Nevertheless, 20 minutes after the start the Chinese assumed the lead through "Tang" Kwong-sum, who lobbed the ball into the net from a free-kick.

The F.A. forwards made a great attempt to equalise before the interval, and Fowler nearly succeeded. In a race for the ball, he was only just beaten by Pau Ka-ping, who punched the ball almost off his toe. Later, Bickford sent in a terrific drive which looked a winner but Pau managed to get his foot to it. Hunt met the rebound and was unlucky to see it pass outside the post. It was a narrow escape for the Chinese.

During the 20 minutes after the resumption the Chinese superiority was never in doubt. They made rings round the F.A. and Lee was unfortunate not to score from two typical efforts. However, it was he who put the Chinese further ahead, a drive from just outside the penalty area beating McAllister all the way.

Hsu Ching-to added the third, and before the end Lee Wai-tong put in the fourth.

The F.A. forwards were outshone at this stage of the encounter though once Fowler got his head to the ball and nodded it into the net, but he was ruled off-side. Then a few minutes later he scored, but the whistle had been blown against him for an infringement.

Teams:
Hongkong F.A.—McAllister; Hussain, Sheehan; Honeywell, Dixon, Strang, Thoburn, Leonard, Fowler, Hunt and Bickford.
H.K.C.A.F.—Pau Ka-ping; Mak Shui-hon, Lee Tin-sang, Soong Ling-sing, Lau Hing-choy, Hsu King-shing; Tang Kwong-sum, Fung King-cheung, Lee Wai-tong, Lai Shiu-wing and Hsu Ching-to.

Navy Fifteen Much Too Good For Army In Rugby Tourney

(By "Fly-Half")

Navy easily overcame the Army at Sookunpoo on Saturday in the Triangular Rugby Tournament. Their three had very little difficulty in breaking through the Army defence to pile up 32 points (four goals and four tries) without reply.

The Army pack played very hard and dominated the forward play. Their policy seemed to have been one of keeping the ball amongst the forwards. In this they succeeded although some rather foolish play was witnessed in this respect. The back row forwards, especially Berry, were guilty of hindering their scrum half.

The Army halves were completely outplayed by Talbot and Elliot. So well did Talbot bottle up Leach that seldom did Gibson receive a pass. Gudgoun and Chiverrill were the only Army three to show rugby sense. The hard tackling of Gud-

geon was very effective on many occasions. Chiverrill hardly ever received the ball in attack, so it was chiefly in defence that he figured. Walte was weak at right inside three, missing his man again and again with the result that Pratt was left with two men. Both Pratt and the Army full-back, Marshall, lacked the pace against the speedy Navy three. Marshall's fielding and kicking, however, were sound although not brilliant.

TALBOT WATCHED

Talbot, although he marked his vis-a-vis well, was himself carefully

Mr. A. W. Raymond on Double Chance won the Dilatory Handicap on Saturday by a head from Plain View, ridden by Mr. H. C. Ph. Flybylight (Mr. S. C. Liang up) was third. Bottom picture shows Salvage Master (Mr. B. L. Tao up) winning the Sub-Griffins Autumn Champions by two lengths from Pict Helen, ridden by Mr. H. C. Ph. Mr. Raymond, on National Guard, was third. Saturday's meeting was the last of the season.—Pictorial News.

R.A.F. DEFEATED AGAIN IN THE H.K.H.A. TOURNAMENT BETTER FORWARD LINE GIVES C.B.A. VICTORY

(By "The Pilgrim")

The Central British Association did very well to beat the R.A.F. 2-1 on their own ground at King's Park yesterday in the Hongkong Hockey Association Tournament.

It was not a thrilling match by any means; better games have been seen this season. Nevertheless play was always keen and interesting throughout.

The success of the C.B.A. was due mainly to their forwards, G. A. Fowler, S. A. Fowler and D. Smith, and their goals were the result of clever moves by the two Fowlers, who scored after 20 minutes, though there was an element of luck in the first goal, which should have been cleared by King, the R.A.F. goalie.

The aviators had as much of the exchanges territorially, and before lemon-time was called, Froude reduced the deficit after a good effort on the left wing.

C.B.A. were more in the picture in the second half, but Ackrill and Smeeton, in the aviators' defence, broke up several promising raids. Though Jenkins was the weak link at right-half, Miller, at centre-half, was the most hard-working of the intermediates.

The forwards had chances of equalising in this half; Froude continued to be a menace with his centres, but the inside men, Woods and Medd, failed to take their chances. Towards the end, however, the aviators put everything they had into the game but the C.B.A. were equally determined and did well to maintain the lead.

In the home defence, N. Whitley played a sterling game at centre-half, whilst the backs, S. MacNider and V. Bond, gave a consistently good display.

It was a fast and interesting game in spite of the bumpy state of the ground.

RECREIO OVERCOME K.I.T.C.

In the second H.K.H.A. Tournament game at King's Park, yesterday Recreio scored a 5-0 victory over the Kowloon Indian T.C.

Combining nicely, and displaying fine stickwork and ball control, the Portuguese found the net three times in 10 minutes through Beltrao (2) and Rodrigues. The latter added yet a further goal five minutes before the interval.

On resumption, however, K.I.T.C. made some desperate raids but the finishing of the forwards was deplorable. Partab was chiefly to blame. He dribbled splendidly up to a point, but when it came to shooting, the speed demon did everything but the right thing. Pyara Singh, who was hit on the side of the ear by the ball earlier on, was no better. Pinto, at centre-half, worked like a Trojan but Malik on his left was decidedly off-colour.

A more erratic display was never given by the defence. Attar Singh in particular was poor with his blind clearances, and Mann Singh in goal put up a feeble resistance only.

Recreio, after much pressure, took advantage of an opening and Albert Rodrigues scored again to make a grand total of five goals.

FINE RECREIO ATTACK

Highlight of the game was the constructive play of the Portuguese forwards. Beltrao led the attack brilliantly and with Rodrigues and Fonseca on either side, the opposition defenders had little rest. The halves, R. Marques, W. A. Reed and Tony Alves, formed a grand trio. A wideawake couple of backs left J. Soares with very little to do in goal, though as a substitute for Ribeiro he showed fine judgment in dealing with some dangerous raids.

Superior in all departments, the Recreio deserved their victory.

Radio Beats R.A.O.C. Side

The Radio and Postal Sports Club proved too good for the R.A.O.C. when the teams met at Caroline Hill yesterday in the H.K.H.A. Tournament—emerging victors by seven goals to nil. The winners scored five goals in the first half and two in the second.

Goal-scorers were Gurbachan Singh (3), Awlter Singh (3) and J. Tavaras.

LOCAL CRICKET CAPTAINS

STILL SIZING UP THEIR OWN SIDES Many Changes In Batting And Bowling Orders

(By "R. Abbit")

Judging from the cricket played on Saturday, I have come—rightly or wrongly—to the conclusion that Captains are working round with their teams to size up their possibilities before they settle a policy for their League matches, which start next month. It is the only explanation of the various changes in batting orders and in putting on the various bowlers. They may or may not be well advised.

I admit cricket this year has had no general continuity so far. Some players, who will come in for the League games have been away off and on for various causes. But I still maintain that the best results are to be obtained by settling one's team as soon as possible, and then settling one's batting order. The Club and the K.C.C. seem still to be feeling around for the latter. I was interested to see that directly Donald Anderson went back to number one batsman he got eighty-seven. But it was against the Civil Service bowling, and anyway, oh! you mid-on!

CLUB V. ARMY

The Club were nearly at full strength when they met the Army, Kilbee alone being absent, and they apparently experimented with their batting order. It did not come off, however, though some of the less likely bats came off. Neither Ride nor Pearce are to my mind opening batsmen, and neither came off. Stokes and Halsey, however, did a bit better and John Pearce (35) and G. P. Longfield (38) did well enough to enable Owen Hughes to declare at 165 for nine wickets. Both Alce Pearce and Owen Hughes have not made any big scores lately and possibly these are reserved for the triangular Tournament. The Club bowling did not appear very formidable, but again experiments seem to have been made, as neither Beck nor Alce Pearce went on at all and Owen Hughes only sent down nine overs. For the Army, Webb failed but the other six batsmen to go in all got double figures, Godby being top scorer with thirty-two. At the close of play they wanted forty-one runs with five wickets to go. It was not a very good dress rehearsal for the big match next week end.

LOW SCORING

At Craigengower the home side won rather a scrappy match against a rather weak Navy side. Manners did not play and apart from Whitmarsh (20) and Brownrigg (25) there were only two double figure scores, except for Mr. Extras. Against the low score of 105 Craigengower only just managed to get home by one wicket and they would have had a sorry time but for Rappley who scored 41. A. R. H. Esmal got as far as nineteen but both G. Souza and D. Hung failed and Ernie Zimmerman just managed to pull off the game with twelve! They too seemed to be experimenting with their batting order.

For Craigengower no less than five bowlers (one of whom was Omar who has not played for some time, I think) took one wicket apiece. F. R. Zimmerman had four for

twenty. For the Navy, Paxton had four for forty-two, but Fifth returned the best figures—four for nineteen. Whitmarsh had the other two.

MINU AGAIN

The I.R.C. had a bad start and lost four wickets cheaply but a fine stand between Y. el Arculli (58) and A. H. Madar (31) saved the situation. At the end K. M. Rum-jain (13) and M. el Arculli (28 not out) enabled them to reach the fairly respectable total of 154. It is satisfactory from their point of view that some of the younger players are coming on, as Nazarin is for the moment dead out of luck. When Recreio came to bat they found Minu much more of a problem than the Club bowlers the week before. He sent down 15.3 overs, bowling unchanged, with three maidens and he took 7 wickets for fifty runs. He is easily the best bowler in the Colony at present. E. L. Gosano for Recreio was only able to collect two for twenty-four, but he ran up 23, while L. G. got 13, Prata 16 and A. P. Perera 16 not out. But they were unable to get more than 103, and the Indians won an excellent game.

A GREAT STAND

The K.C.C. innings of 179 for 7 declared really was composed of a stand by Anderson (87) and Ernie Fincher (63) plus 20 extras. The remaining six batsmen only putting up 19 runs between them. The C.S. bowling was pretty bad, though Perry stuck to it nobly with 4 for 49 in 14.3 overs. McLellan, when bowling round the wicket in his first spell, was badly knocked about but in his second spell when he went over the wicket, he bowled very well, keeping a good pace and making the ball run away. While I still maintain that last season he did much of his best work when bowling his off spinners round the wicket, I am being driven to the conclusion that now he is not so successful with that form of attack and does better over the wicket. I expect to see him picked for the Club by the Army and we shall see. In that connection Dicky Richardson strengthened his claims to a place by a patient innings of 55 not out. He gave no chance though it is whispered that one or two cover drives off Lee's off swinger departed between his legs and the wicket to the leg boundary. Daniels played an invaluable innings after Griffiths and McLellan had picked two magnificent (and consecutive) balls from Robert Lee. Perry hung on long enough to save the game. I am told that the C.S. fielding was well they won't print what I was told, but it was not good and Anderson (Continued on Page 13.)



The Navy overwhelmed the Army by 32 points to nil in the Triangular Rugby Tournament on Saturday. Picture shows Lewie finding touch with a hefty kick.—Photo by A. A. Kahn.

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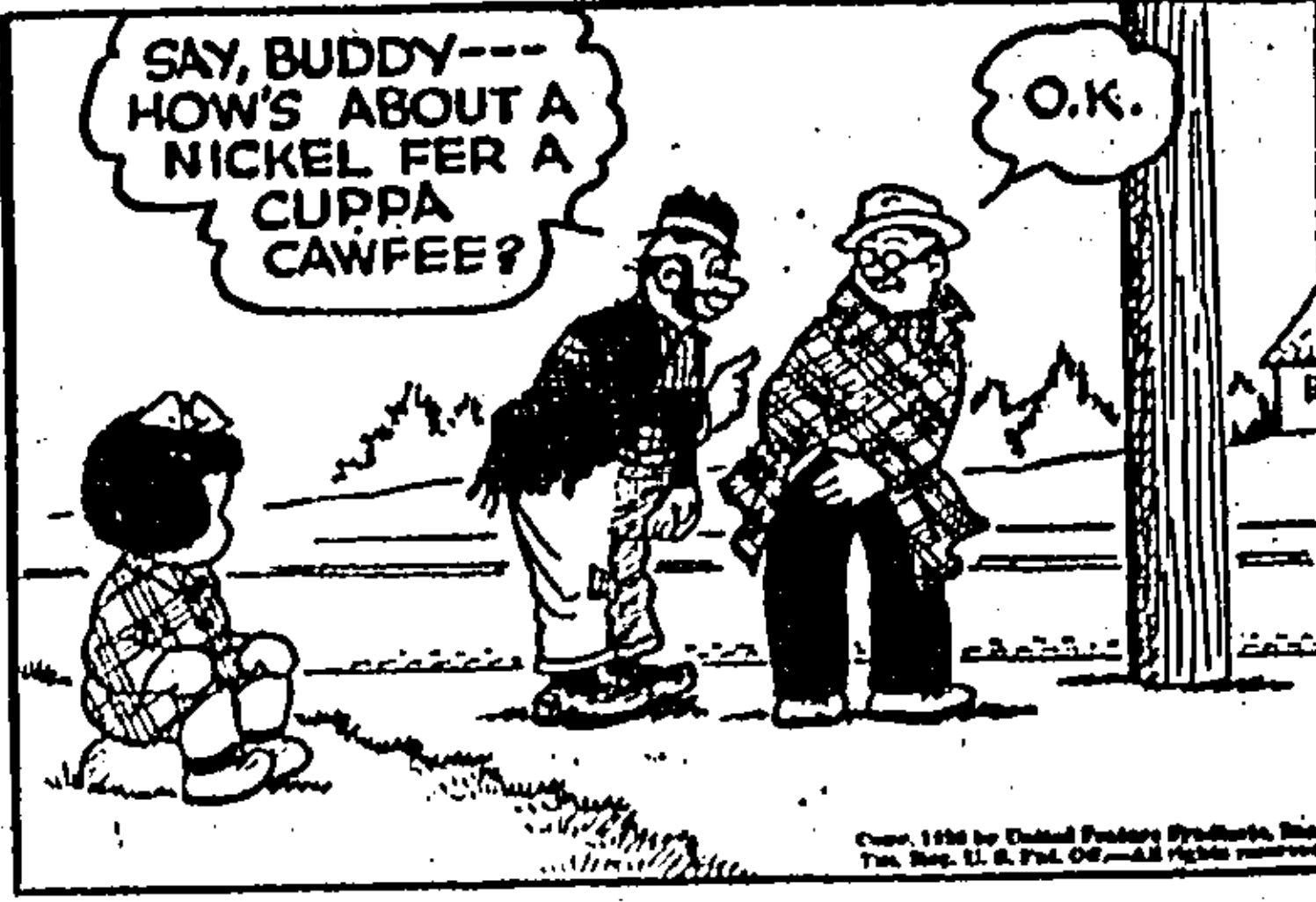
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IMPORTANT TIE IN "A" DIVISION BADMINTON LEAGUE

An important match in the "A" Division of the Badminton League will be played this evening when the University "A" visit the Chinese Y.M.C.A.

The programme is as follows:
Chinese "A" v. University "A"
King's College v. Recreio

NANCY



First 100 Of Season By E.A. Templeton

Large Attendance At Sunday Rifle Shoot: Colony Team Chosen

A large attendance at the Sunday Shoot yesterday witnessed some high scoring. Conditions were good except for a slight haze at 600 yards which, however, cleared later.

E. A. Templeton of the 4th Submarine Flotilla had the distinction of obtaining the first hundred of the season scoring 102 out of a possible 105 a very fine performance indeed, which included a possible at 500 yards.

The 500 yards range is a popular one, two other possibilities being registered by E. R. A. Keller of the 4th S/M. Flotilla and Sgt. A. C. Chan of the H. K. Police Reserve.

The S. R. (a) Nett Spoon was won by P.O. H. Richards with 89 and it is pleasant to note a distinct improvement in the other scores with the S.R. (a).

No fewer than 10 teams entered for the Affiliated Club Match which was won by the Naval Range Staff at Stonecutters with 540 followed by the 4th S/M. Flotilla 10 behind.

The Revolver Aggregate was won by Sgt. Tansley of the H.K. Police Reserve.

CLAY-BIRD SHOOT

Captain Newton, the indefatigable Hon. Secretary of the Clay-bird shooting came in from camp to superintend the competitions, the open being won by Sgt. Lt. MacDonald of H.M.S. Falmouth.

Inspector Hopkins of the H. K. Police, who had prepared the programme, gave away the leading prizes at the conclusion of a very enjoyable morning's shooting.

After shooting had concluded, the Committee sat in the Hon. Secretary's Office in the Clubhouse, and issued invitations to the following to represent the Colony in the Far East Trophy Match.

There will be a final practice for this match—8 rounds at 200, 500, and 600 yards on Wednesday next and it is hoped to fire the competition proper on the following day, Thursday.

S.R. (b)—P.O. J. C. Swan (Captain); Capt. F. P. Sequiera, H.K.V.D.C.; C/Sgt. P. Hale, Sgt. V. W. Cooper, Mdx. Regt.; Mne. P. G. Heather, Sgt. R. J. Hepp, R. N. Staff; Mr. T. J. Boulton, D. R. E.; Inspector A. L. Hopkins, Sgt. G. Perkins, H.K. Police; Cadet, G. J. P. Carey, Sgt. Lt. J. B. Muckie (Reserve) H.K.N.V.F.

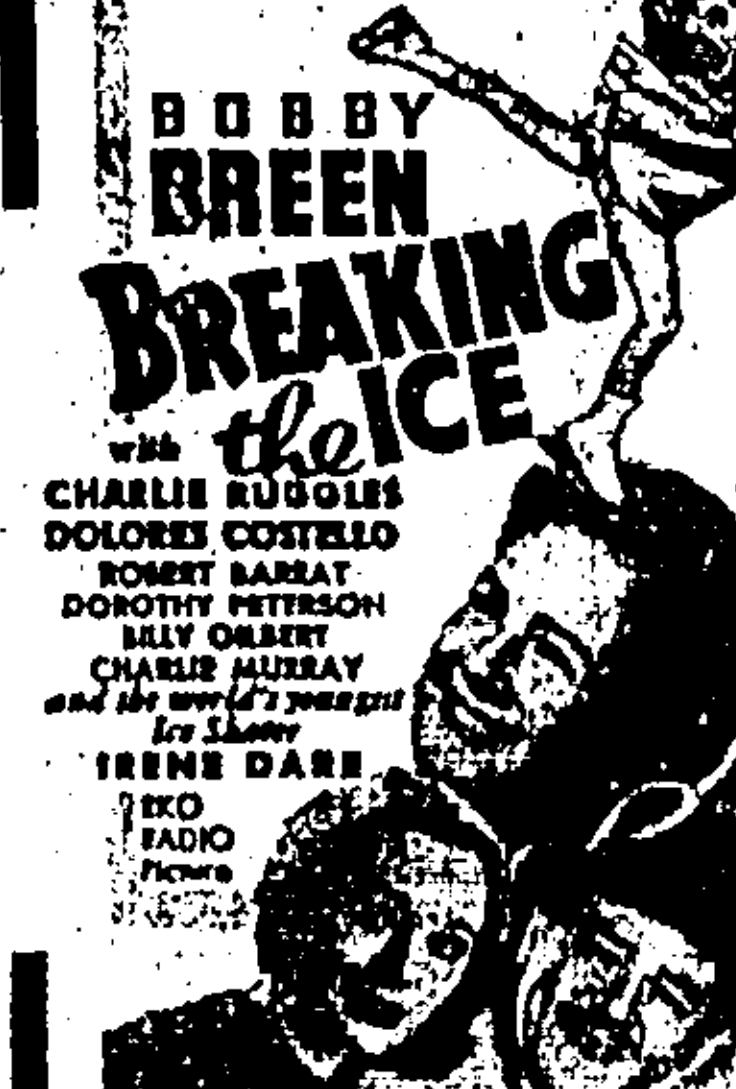
S.R. (a)—Major D. F. L. Campbell, R.A.S.C. (Captain); P.O. H. Richards, Mne. S. Croft, Cpl. E. Col. R.N. Staff; Pte. V. W. Hammond, H.K.V.D.C.; Cpl. W. Nunn, R.E.; Mr. W. K. Gillman, D.R.C.; Pte. D. Sim, L/Cpl. R. Bullen, Royal Scots; Cpl. Mahar Singh, Cpl. Charan Singh (Reserve), H.K. Police.

AT STONECUTTERS

The usual high standard of shooting was maintained at Stonecutters on

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Navy Fifteen Easily Beat Army Team

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watched by the Army forward and as a result many of his passes were wild. Elliot opened up the game for Navy and once again his kicking was effective.

On numerous occasions, when after the Army forwards had fought their way nearly up to the Navy line, the ball would come into Elliot's possession, and with a long carrying kick, he would bring the ball back to the centre again.

The Navy centres delighted with their clever side-stepping and thrustful running. Walters and Lewis were two fast wing-men who employed the cross-kicks to advantage.

Hunt gave another faultless display. His fielding and kicking were exceptionally good.

BEST OF FORWARDS

The best of a hard-working Army pack were Cubbertson, Crawford and Page, whilst Navy were best served by Anderson, Thatcher and Ogle. Anderson was prominent at the line-outs.

In the first half, Navy scorers were Askwith, Lewis, Ogle and Walters. In that order, Elliot converted the first three tries with good kicks. During the second half, Navy increased their lead of 18 points by tries from Askwith (2), Lewis and Walters. Elliot converted one of the tries to bring the Navy total to 32 points.

Peasants.

Army:—L/Sgt. Marshall (R. Scots); 2/Lt. Chiverrall (Middlesex); Lt. Gudgreen (Middlesex); Spr. Waite (R.E.) and Cpl. Pratt (R.A.O.C.); Lt. Gibson (R. Scots), and Pte. Leach (R.A.O.C.); Pte. Richards (R. Scots); Spr. Pike (R.E.); 2/Lt. Cubbertson (R. Scots); Gnr. Evans (5th A.A. Bde. R.A.); Spr. Appley (R.E.); L/Sergeant, Page (5th A.A. Bde. R.A.); Lt. Crawford (R.C. Signals) and Pte. Berry (Middlesex).

Royal Navy: A. B. Hunt (Eagle); Lieut. Walters (Medway); Lieut. Skelton (Medway); P. O. Askwith (Dartmouth); Lieut. Lewis (Birmingham); Lieut. Elliot (Capt. Eagle); Lieut. Talbot (Medway); A. B. Thatcher (Eagle); Mr. Whitherton (Dugan); Ldg. Sen. Romans (Eagle); Sub. Lt. (A.) Hain (Eagle); Lieut. Boddington (Eagle); Lieut. Ogle (Medway); Lieut. Manners (Birmingham); Lieut. Anderson (Medway).

LEN HUTTON STRUCK ON HEAD BY FAST BOWLER

Johannesburg, Dec. 17. Leonard Hutton, England's opening batsman and holder of the world's record score, was struck on the head by a ball from a fast bowler, and was rendered unconscious, in the M.C.C. v. South Transvaal match to-day, and was taken to the hospital where it was announced that he was suffering from a slight concussion. The ball bounded off his head and struck his wicket.

Transvaal totalled 428 for 8 wickets declared, of which Viljoen scored 97 and Langton 58, the pair having added 130 runs for the seventh wicket. Wilkinson took 4 for 78 and Kenneth Farnes 4 for 93.

The M.C.C. had scored 238 for 6 wickets at the close of play; Edrich 36, Paynter 5, Hammond 24, L. Ames 104 not out, Yardley 13 and Bartlett 30.

As the Transvaal team will probably provide seven or eight players for the First Test, the match is regarded as a Test Trial.

It was later announced that the condition of Hutton was excellent, and that he was no longer suffering from concussion.

Soviet Explores Resources

Moscow. More than 3,000 geological expeditions have been sent out this year by the Soviet Government to discover new natural resources. Many new oil deposits have been found in Yakutia, tin has been discovered in Svanetia and zinc, lead, tin and silver in Northern Osetia.

CRICKET CAPTAINS STILL SIZING UP THEIR OWN SIDES

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should have been caught in the twenties and a chance of stumping went adrift though Colledge made amends by stumping Robert Lee nicely. Lawrence got 13 and he will suffer the batting but Baker is badly needed. All the same, I can't quite make out what Perry was doing with his bowling. He put Richardson on again to the tune of 16 in two overs — (tho' I believe the stumping mistake was off him) and he is very expensive. He might remember that when Dicky took wickets against Shanghai it was on a sticky wicket and it is no use bowling him on a concrete pitch. Hawkins—who is personally very reticent about his trundling—is to my mind more likely to get wicket. And Hollidge was not put on at all.

SECOND DIVISION GAMES

At Sookanpoo the Club second, without Bishop, did not have too easy a journey and if their skipper, Eric Matchell, had not pulled out a 33 not out, they would have been properly in the soup. I don't know if "Cousin Eric" would prefer to be called a veteran or a warbird, (no we do say down in Demshire) but it is pleasant to see him getting going again. Lowe and Parsons got 21 apiece and Extras played a fine innings for 25 but for the rest, "nuff said."

The Army simply took tea with the Club bowling. Coombes, who has come down from the first, I see, got 27, Baker 41 and Ratfield 30 not out, but they could only get to 101 when time was called.

MORE LOW SCORING

The Navy second ran up 108 for eight, declared at King's Park against Craigengower thanks largely to Page, who made 36, Webster (17) and Extras (10)—(awful lot of

extras this week are there not? Possibly because the Press have started cricket!) C.C.C. just staved off defeat thanks to Winch and N. Broadbridge, that is if they had eleven men! Nine were out for ninety runs.

A CURIOUS GAME

The game in which Reereio second played the I.R.C. second was very curious in that, on each side, nine batsmen did nothing at all and two came off. For the home side Xavier carried his bat through the innings for forty-five and R. Soares made thirty-five. For the I.R.C. H. T. Barina made thirty-two and A. K. Minu 32. For the rest the I.R.C. nine made a few less than the Reereio nine, but their last wicket managed to play out time. In the bowling Curreen had 5 for 10, while Alves took four for ten and Soares three for twelve.

SCHOOL CRICKET

I am reluctantly being driven to the conclusion that the University are pretty "weak" this season. The C.B.S. ran up 174 against them, of which Suiter got 78 and Stone 33. All the Varsity could do was 118 for 7 of which Tam had fifty-two. So far as I can make out the only thing worse than the batting of the D.B.S. was the batting of the Police, on the latter's ground. The home side made 54 only thanks to some excellent bowling by S. K. Cheung (6 for 19). I have never discovered why he did not play for the Combined Schools. Crarry backed him up with four for twenty-five. The D.B.S. lost 8 for 29 but then a stand between Whitfield and Chin Paris pulled them through. By the way I do not think scores of under twenty should be recorded: it tends to individualism a bit,—or so it seems to me.

Civil Service Juniors Must Improve Fielding

The most important lesson the Civil Service learnt from their match with the K.C.C. second eleven on Saturday, which the Kowloon team won by the handsome margin of 104 runs after declaring at 188 for 4, was the need for fielding practice—and very assiduous practice at that.

It was in good fielding, while two very expensive catches were dropped, Gray being missed when he had scored about 40. The former went on to hit up 69, and the latter carried his bat and fielding, however, the visitors so sadly erred, and until this is improved considerably, the team is always likely to find itself against heavy totals.

The Civil Service introduced a battery of six bowlers, including War, who has apparently forsaken wicket-keeping for bowling. Actually he bowled quite well, and so did Buldo in his first spell, making the ball swing quite a lot bowling into the wind. But he was heavily punished when he came on a second time, and Pace was really the only bowler to keep the batsmen playing at him consistently. Pace struck a good length, and maintained it for the most part, but he had the bad fortune to be brought on after McKenzie and Gray had become well set. Consequently balls which the batsmen normally would have thought twice about hitting, were joyously despatched to the boundary simply because the batsmen were in a position to force the pace.

INSPIRED BOWLING

When it came to batting, the Civil Service found themselves against an inspired bowler in Luke, who made the utmost of bowling into the wind, and by pitching the ball consistently on the off peg with a tantalizing length, had nearly all of the visitors in difficulty. His final figures of 6 for 19 in no way flattered him, for he bowled really well, and was also supported by some clever fielding.

Warr was the one man to show a straight bat and a bold front to a keen attack, and his 20 runs were nicely made, though he was morally

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was reached chiefly as the result of the efforts of E.C. Fincher (68) and A. E. Ferry (21). F. R. Zimmerman took five wickets for 40 and A.K. Ismail four for 45.

Solid scoring by the middle batsmen enabled the Craigengower team to win with four wickets in hand. F. R. Zimmerman made 51, A. Zimmerman 39, retired, George Souza 33, W. L. Hapley 27 and E. Zimmerman 11. P. Lim 18 each.

Injury Upon Injury

St. Louis. Emmett Manes, 22, lost four fingers when his right hand was caught in a few minutes later he suffered head lacerations when he was thrown through the windshield of an automobile in which he was being rushed to a hospital. The automobile skidded and struck the rear end of a truck.

Brush For Beauty

USING a brush for beauty! Our grandmothers would have been horrified at the very thought. Yet to-day, when women are better looking and younger looking than ever they were, good brush-work counts for such a lot. Hair that is regularly brushed is the smartest and healthiest, and the same applies to complexions. Your skin cannot be really clean nor your make-up well-groomed without the aid of at least two brushes.

Most of us nowadays use a complexion brush to remove surplus powder and tidy up the face generally. After powder has been pressed on to the skin with a large soft puff, the brush spreads it evenly and leaves a soft matt surface with no hint of patches and caking. It prevents that "scrubbed on" look that badly made-up faces have.

But the other complexion brush does even more valuable work. Skin specialists tell us that many men have excellent healthy skins because of their shaving brushes. The action of the bristles stimulates the skin glands and nerves beneath the skin; the soap and warm water whirled round in the brush cleans the face as nothing else can. Hence there are fewer men than women who reach middle-age with double chins and sagging face contours.

Regular Facial Treatment

As a result of this, nowadays beauty specialists are advocating regular facial treatments with a soaped brush. It is excellent for greasy and rather heavy skins. If you use a special skin brush and a really good superfatted or cream soap. Once a week is enough for the average complexion; twice if your skin is very oily.

Use tepid water only and work up a very mild lather. Brush with a circular movement for about a minute, then wash off very thoroughly with warm water. Never allow the soap to dry on your skin, and complete the stimulation by brush. Finish with the brush dipped in cold water to close the pores.

Face brushing is best done at night after the skin has been cleansed with a good quality cold cream. Wipe off the excess and then begin work with soap and brush. Pay particular attention to the creases where dust and blackheads gather at the chin and sides of the nose, but work generally in an outward, semi-rotary motion. Rinse in clear water and then dry by patting, never coarse rubbing.

Whatever you do, don't forget your neck. Give it the same brush treatment, the same cleansing, the

Hair IS Coming Down at the Back



Countess Haugwitz-Reventlow favours this style—wings taken off the side of the face and an out-turned roll curl at the back.



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When soup has been over-salted, add a peeled and halved potato. This will absorb the surplus salt.

same careful day-time make-up, and it will repay you well with smooth and youthful beauty. If it has a sallow look, let it have a special brush cleansing of its own about once a week, with a final application of a mild astringent instead of cold water.

A. B. C.

THESE hair styles have a special significance at a time when hairdressers are being asked whether the Edwardian style is a permanency. Mayfair experts now believe that even the return of the 'picture' dress will not see the Edwardian coiffure universally adopted.

Hair will not stay up at the back, except on the few it really favours, those with slender throats and well-shaped heads. It involves too much time in the busy woman's day and takes a hair-dresser ten to fifteen extra minutes to comb out and arrange after setting.

Side hair and the hair which tops the brow, however, will continue to 'take up.' There will be more soft, fan-like forehead fringes, but not heavy ones.

Hair falling softly in the nape of the neck marks a complete reversal of the page-boy era, which has lasted because it stayed so tidily sleek.

Soft broken-up curls, even ringlets, will emphasise many feminine heads before the New Year.

The ringlets version has been adopted by the Duchess of Kent, though she is one of the few who can look charming with an Edwardian coiffure and often adopts it.

The tidiest way to dispose of long side-locks which have now gone upward is to roll and twine them on top of the head.

Back hair in Victorian type two-inch long ringlets—centre front hair in short curls. This is quite simple to comb and arrange once "set."



The high-wave hair (above) which softens short-back hair contours—the side hair taken up and off face. Coiffure by Emile, who holds the royal warrant for Queen Elizabeth's hair-dressing.

On the left is a hair-down-the-back style, which will be a future vogue. The side hair is taken up and twined over the head. Back hair curled in Victorian ringlets, with short curls on brow-top.

Christmas

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DOLLS seem to have followed fashion. The Victorian doll, thirty inches in height, complete with quaint silk dress, many petticoats and parasol, may take the honours in popularity, while the Princess Elizabeth doll has a fresh party frock in palest pink.

CHANGING STYLE

CHANGE over a hair-style after a shampoo rather than between shampoos, to avoid bruised sensation to scalp.

Sleeping in pinned-up hair will not harm the hair, but insert pins pointed slightly outward to avoid prickling scalp.

When encouraging natural wave, study your parting. Hair nearly always grows at an oblique angle. Start the wave at an angle at which hair starts out from parting. If it falls slightly forward, the first wave should be coaxed to come towards brow, then taken back.

If hair falls back from parting, take first wave back, then bring forward on to brow. Similarly with short curls on top of head.

If hair refuses to respond to pin-control use combs, but place them before curling ends of hair over, so that they are not too obvious.

When taking up the hair merely for an evening or special occasion, use combs to which are attached wired velvet bows in black, or in ribbon to match your gown.

Nail Biting In Children How To Cure It:

NAIL biting is an unpleasant habit which in time becomes a menace to health.

Fingers are frequently dirty; and pieces of nails, if swallowed, are liable to irritate the stomach and bowels. Persistent biting may lead to breaks in the skin, with the entry of germs and a septic finger.

Nail-biters are frequently shunned by other children. A quite usual outcome of this is an inferiority complex with marked nervousness, mainly twitchings, dreams and nightmares.

Do not delay corrective measures. Keep the nails short and give the child a manicure set with directions on using it. Stimulate a wish to have well-kept nails like its parents.

Improve the general health by increased outdoor exercise and adequate nourishing food and encourage congenial companions who are not nail biters.

Children should wear washable gloves in bed, while during the day their nails should be painted with something unpleasant, yet harmless, such as aloes.

Cures are often hastened by having a dentist fit metal caps to the back teeth to prevent the front ones closing tightly. These should not be worn longer than necessary, otherwise the teeth will decay.

Occasionally, it may be advisable to consult a psych-therapist with a view to hypnotic treatment.

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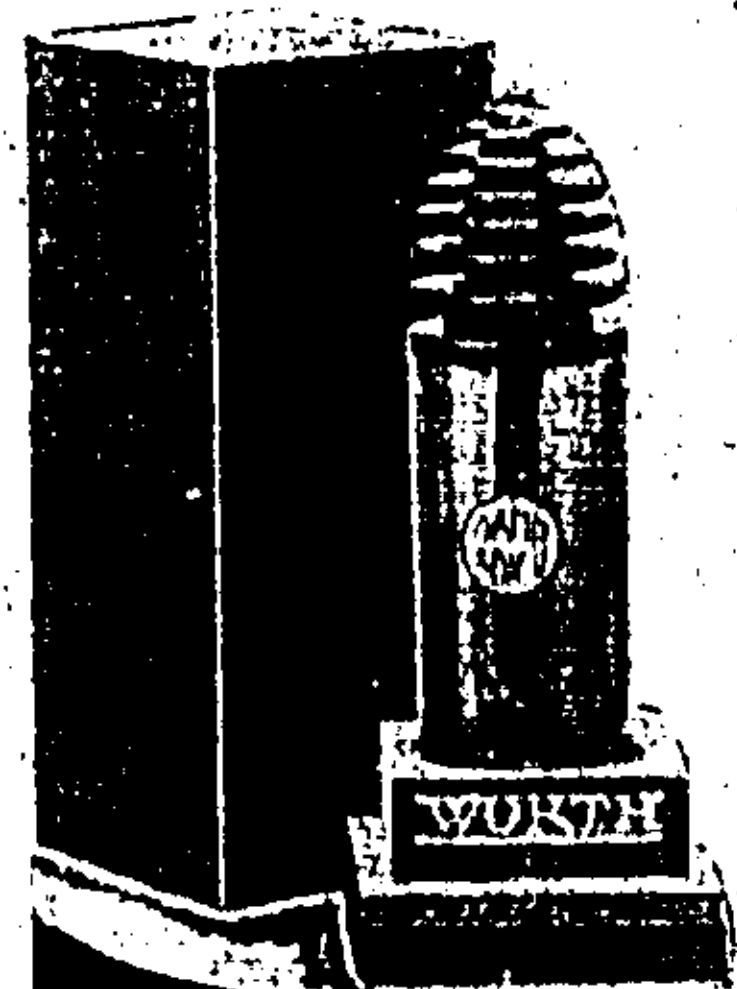
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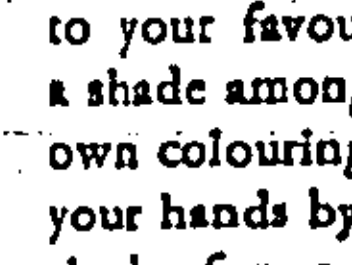
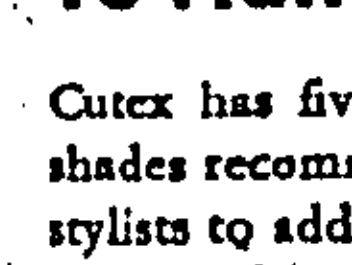
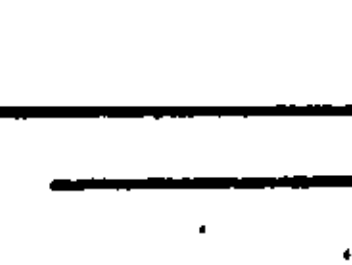
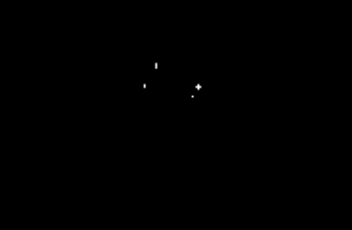
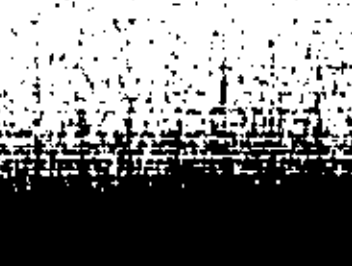
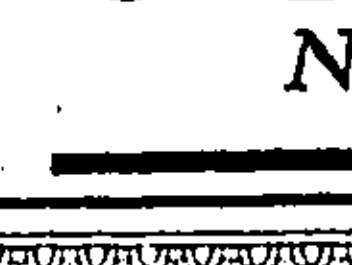
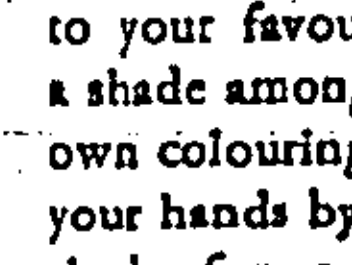
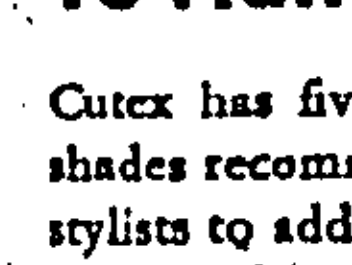
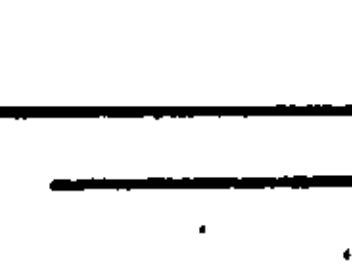
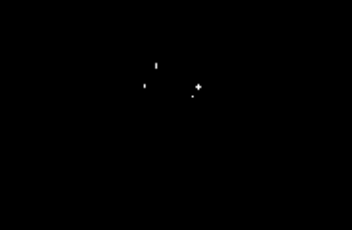
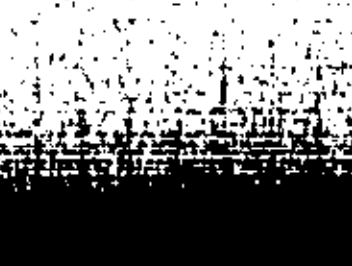
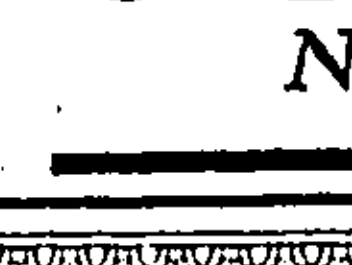
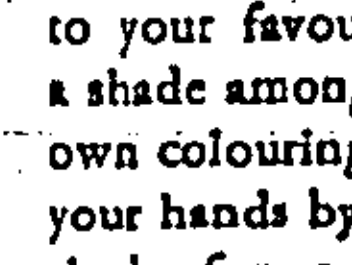
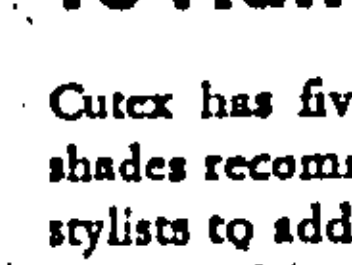
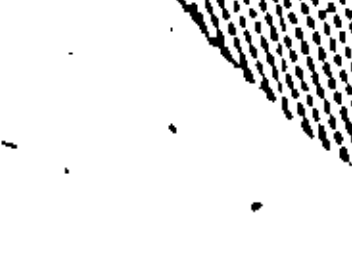
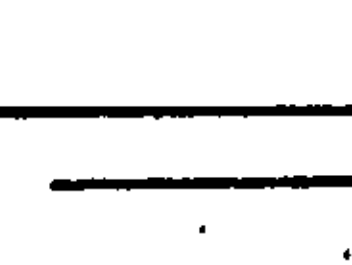
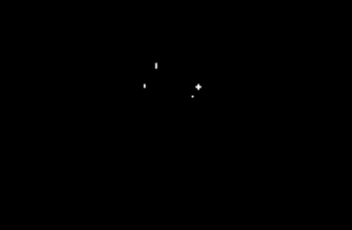
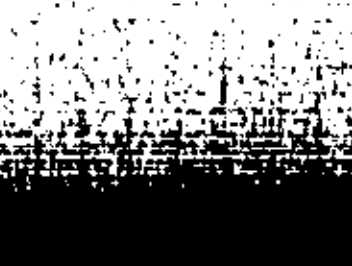
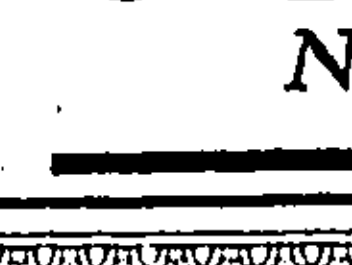
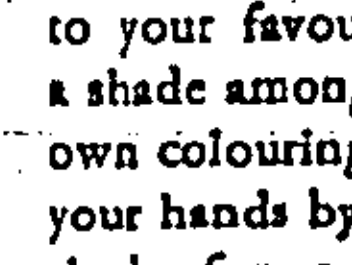
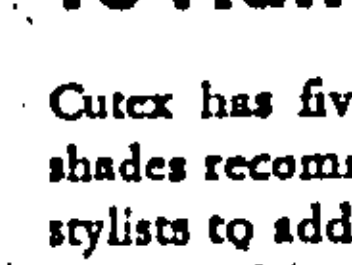
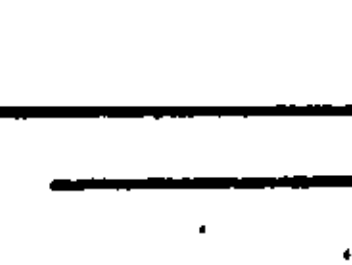
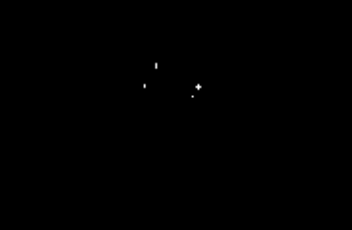
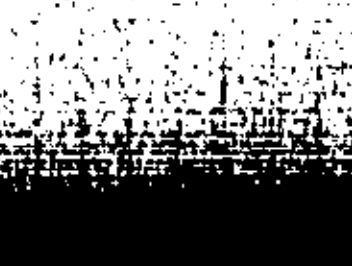
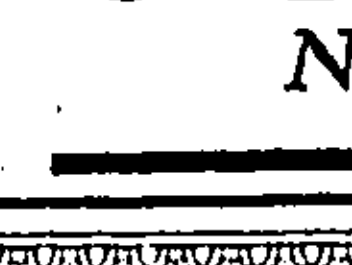
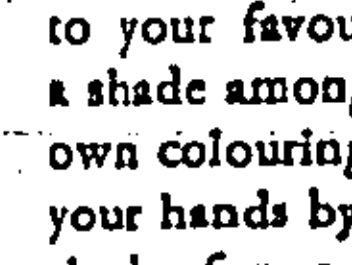
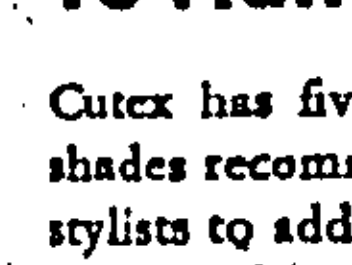
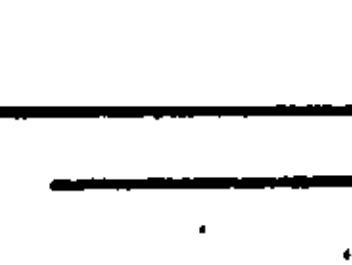
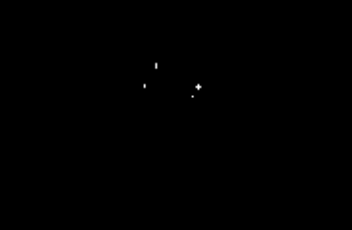
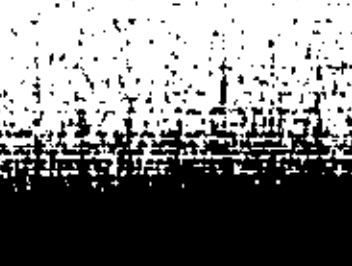
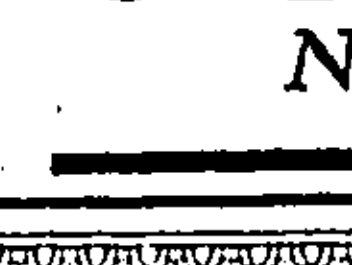
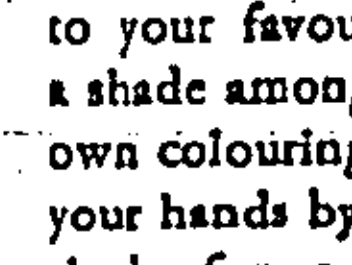
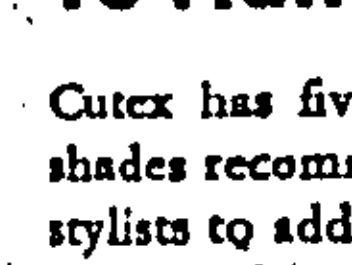
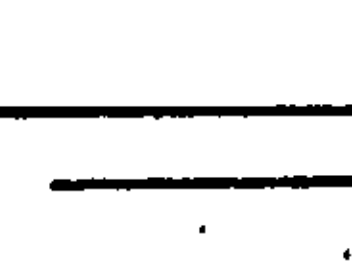
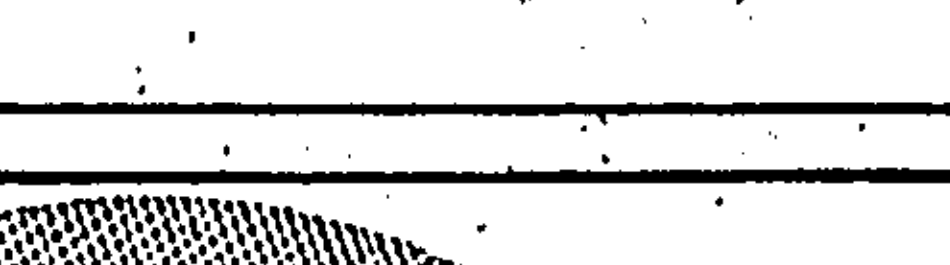
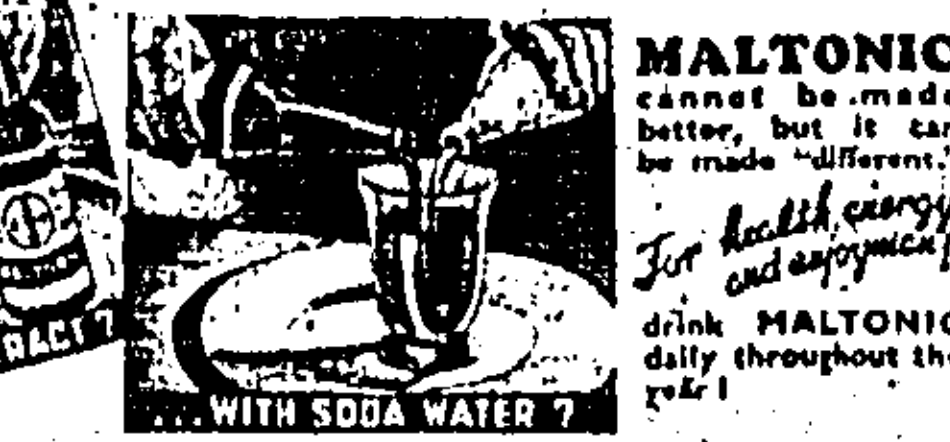
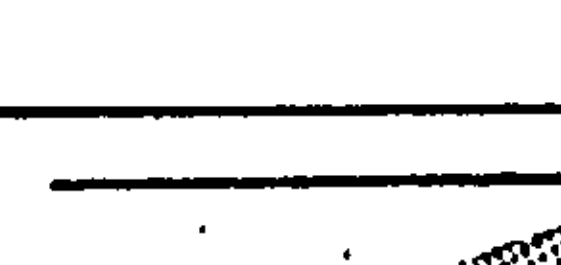
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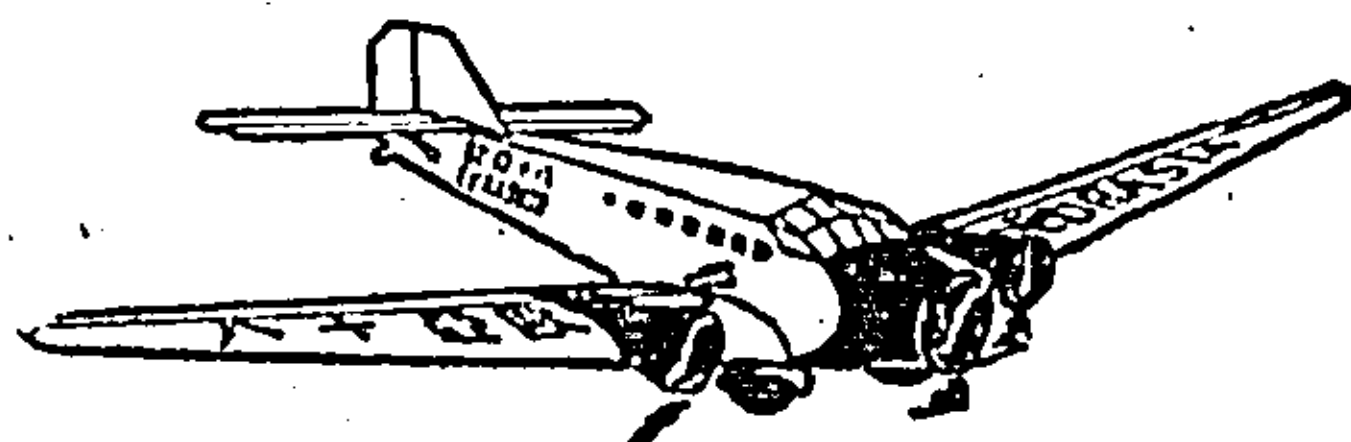
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Arab Loyalty to King: Remarkable Display

JERUSALEM, Dec. 18.
A COLOURFUL AND IMPRESSIVE spectacle was provided when 3,000 Arab villagers demonstrated their loyalty to the King and Britain on the hillside village of Yatta, south of Hebron.

Noted Actor Will Retire From Stage

Mr. Lan-fang, noted Chinese actor and female impersonator, who is living a secluded life in Hongkong, will shortly retire altogether from stage life, according to a report.

For over twenty years Mei has been the foremost professional entertainer before the Chinese footlights and his art of impersonation has had no peer in the history of Chinese theatricals of the old school. Mei's last appearances were made early in last summer this year in Hongkong, when he attracted capacity houses.

Mei is leading an extremely simple life in Hongkong, passing his time studying English and listening to radio programmes from all over the world. He is said to have left his voice unpracticed during the past six months.

Burma Takes Firm Anti-Riot Stand

Rangoon, Dec. 18.
In order to meet the threatened civil disobedience campaign, the Government has issued a communique announcing its decision to take "all necessary measures effectively to check the present campaign of civil disobedience and general lawlessness."—Reuter.

Unfurling of the Union Jack was accompanied by a trumpeter sounding the general salute, and an outburst of applause.

Major-General O'Connor, and other prominent officials arrived in a conveyance escorted by Sheikh's astride horses and camels, through typically "ambush country."

Gakri Bey presented many Sheikh's to Major O'Connor, and one bearded Sheikh, who claimed he represented 60,000 people addressed the gathering, depicting murder, looting and destruction, and thanking the military for breaking the "criminal gangs."

He said he considered the British were messengers of peace. Major O'Connor briefly replied, declaring that the army would continue to suppress the rebellion, and in this connection he hoped for the assistance of the villagers.—Reuter.

SHAIKH SHOT DEAD

Jerusalem, Dec. 18.
Sheikh Arkat, a preacher in the Mosque Omar, was shot dead to-day within the old city.

He was one of the group who recently invited British troops to inspect the Mosque precincts when it was alleged that snipers were hidden there.—Reuter.

ARAB CASUALTIES

Jerusalem, Dec. 18.
An air force pilot was slightly hurt, a British soldier wounded, and Arabs sustained heavy casualties in a fight between British troops, aircraft and a large band of armed Arabs eight miles from the place where a big meeting of Arab loyalists was held yesterday.—Reuter.

SWISS WARNED

BERLIN, Dec. 18.

A WARNING to Switzerland, that if she wants to be regarded as a neutral Power, she must cease agitation and propaganda against Germany, is contained in the "Volkscher Beobachter", which says:

"Shameless agitation has been going on for years against the internal policy of Germany, and it has reached intolerable proportions since the taking over of Austria and the Sudetenland."

"Switzerland must be told in a decided manner that it isn't the least bit like neutrality when all the pro-German elements in the country are persecuted and proscribed, while the worst agitators against the Reich, continue to function with impunity."—Reuter.

French Cabinet To Speed Estimates

Paris, Dec. 18.
The French Cabinet, continuing its efforts to speed the budget debate, will on Monday discuss the foreign affairs estimates.

The estimates of the Ministries of Air, Marine and War were passed yesterday.—Reuter.

Pope Pius Shows Renewed Vigour

Vatican City, Dec. 18.
The Pope, who to-day inaugurated the third year of the Pontifical Academy of Science, was more vigorous than usual.

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Spain May Have Xmas Armistice

Paris, Dec. 18.

Messages from Burgos report that rumours are circulating in Nationalist Spain that moves are being considered ahead for a month's armistice in Spain over Christmas.

It is alleged that the Spanish Committee for Civil Peace, in conjunction with the French and British committees are considering the possibility of asking the Pope, and the countries represented at the Lima Conference to suggest an armistice to the rival forces.

It is declared in Burgos, that General Franco has not changed his standpoint, namely, no armistice, and no compromise.

It is further stated that if the Pope or the South American countries brought such a proposal, they would receive a courteous, but firm refusal.—Reuter.

ARCHBISHOP INTERCEDES

Paris, Dec. 18.

Political circles here connect the visit paid on Saturday morning by Cardinal Verdier, Archbishop of Paris, to Foreign Minister Georges Bonnet, with the effort undertaken by the various French war veterans' associations to assure an armistice between the warring parties in Spain over Christmas.

It is pointed out that following the interview between the Cardinal and Ocan.

Foreign Investors In S. America

New York, Dec. 18.

The Pan-American Conference to-day postponed for five years a decision on a resolution urging the adoption of the principle that foreign investors in Latin America should not be entitled to diplomatic protection, except in cases where justice is denied them by the local courts, according to the Lima correspondent of the New York Times.

It is stated that the conference referred the question to a committee of experts on the codification of international law for a further study, ordering the committee to report to the ninth conference in five years time.—Reuter.

M. Bonnet, the latter had a prolonged conversation with Premier Edouard Daladier.—Trans-Ocean.

AMERICAS TO MEDIATE?

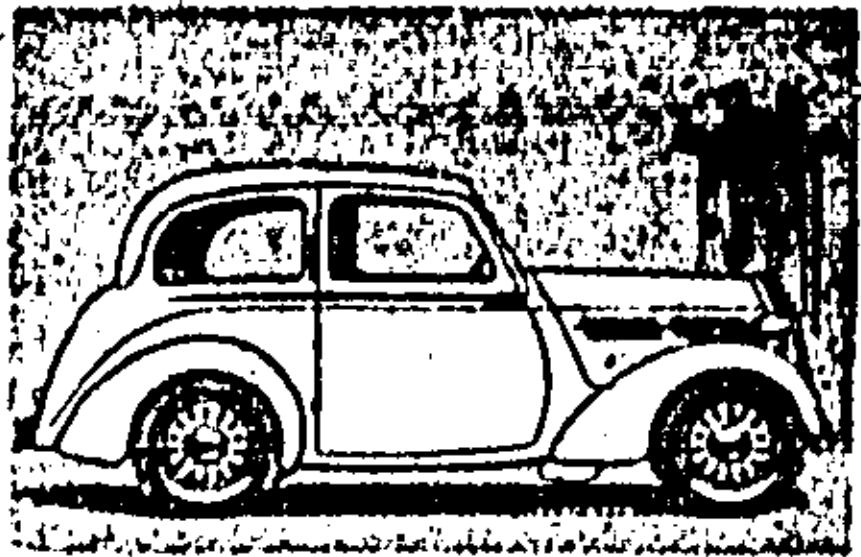
Lima, Dec. 18.

The Cuban delegates to the Pan-American Conference to-day tabled a resolution demanding that the American States should jointly undertake to mediate in Spain, and should, for this purpose, appoint a committee of delegates empowered to propose an armistice to both warring parties until such time as peace on a satisfactory basis.

The sitting was adjourned without a decision being made.—Trans-Ocean.

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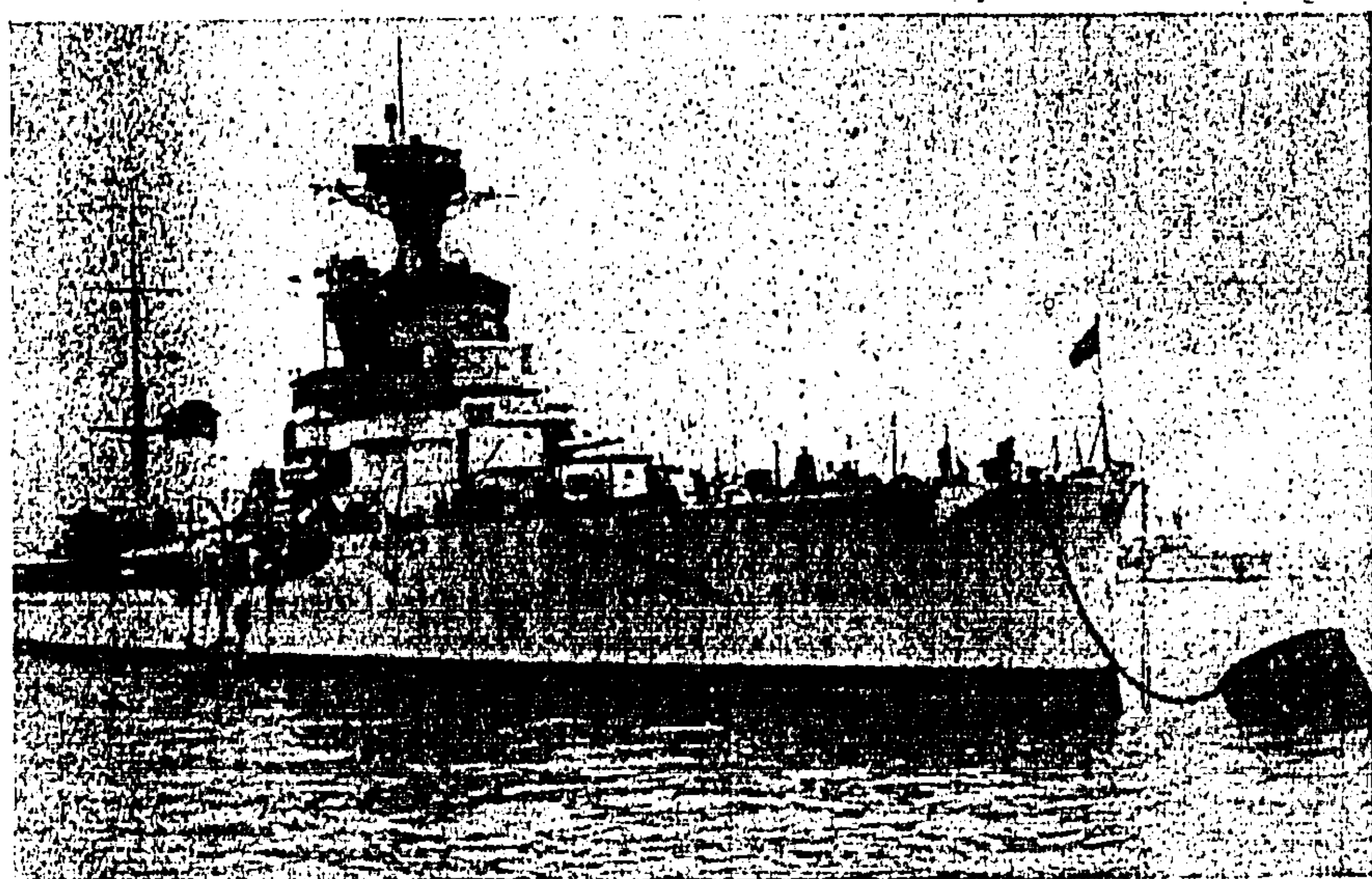
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HERE IS THE Italian cruiser Bartolomeo Colleoni, which arrived in Hongkong on a visit at 8 o'clock this morning, salutes were exchanged—Staff Photographer.

Big Additions To S'pore R. A. F. Defence

SINGAPORE, Dec. 19.
IMPORTANT STRATEGIC additions to Great Britain's Far Eastern defence pattern has been planned for Malaya by the Royal Air Force, "Reuter" understands on reliable authority.

This is in conformity with the known plan for protecting the fortress of Singapore from "back door" attacks from the north and east.

The new preparations, "Reuter" understands, not only exist on paper, but are within an ace of completion. Although details cannot be divulged, it can be stated that in the near future all air units will be stationed permanently in the Malay peninsula and other places where they can be most effectively a "back door," and at the same time occupy a comparatively secure position.

As part of the Empire's new creed, "Re-Arm for Peace," "Reuter" understands that the Singapore defences are thus taking another jump ahead of possible attackers, and strategists will be impressed with the increasing strength of Singapore as a defensive base.

Work is also reported to be proceeding on two new military landing fields on Singapore island. The field at Tengah, on the western side of the island is practically ready for occupation by an R.A.F. squadron. Good progress is being made on the Sembawang air field, not far from the air base at Seletar.—Reuter.

Chamberlain To See Hitler?

London, Dec. 18.
The "Sunday Chronicle" Premier after his return from Rome, plans to make another call on Herr Hitler.

The newspaper asserts that Mr. Chamberlain and Viscount Halifax while on their way back from Rome to London, will meet the French Premier and M. Bonnet in Paris to discuss the possibility of inviting Field-Marshal Hermann Goerring to London for discussing pending foreign and political questions.

The result of these discussions would be a Four-Power Conference. The "Sunday Dispatch" believes that Herr Hitler next year will submit to a world plan on armaments restrictions to be signed by the four big Powers.—Trans-Ocean.

Action For Libel Ends In Favour Of Club

TWO LEGAL RULINGS by Mr. Justice Lindsell ended the action for libel brought by Mr. T. H. G. Brayfield, well-known talpan pony-owner, against the Hongkong Jockey Club in favour of the defendants.

Judgment was entered for the Jockey Club, with costs. On the assumption that His Honour's findings may be attacked in an Appeal Court, the Jury was asked to decide whether the plaintiff did or did not incur the liability.

They found that Mr. Brayfield did not owe the money, and awarded him damages of one farthing.

Dramatic Turn To U.S. Drug King's Suicide

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.
A NEW AND DRAMATIC TURN is expected in the sensational suicide affair reported in the "Telegraph" on Saturday, in which Donald Coster, alias Philip Musica, America's Drug King, took his own life a minute before federal officers arrived at this house to arrest him, according to the latest reports.

A United Press message reveals that Musica was believed to be concerned in a gigantic business of gun-running, and merely used his drug department as a blind.

Musica was President of the vast McKesson, Robbins Drug Corporation, and while the corporation's stocks and bonds at the most approximate value of \$34,000,000 in market values since the scandal was revealed, it is stated that Assistant Attorney-General Brian McMahon is flying from Washington to New York to assume personal command of the investigation.

He will co-ordinate the activities of half-a-dozen agencies, concentrating on the theory that gun-running was the main activity of the firm's crude drug department, in which a shortage of \$10,000,000 has been discovered.

McMahon is the chief of the Federal Department of Justice (Criminal Division).

The authorities are investigating the allegation that Musica created the crude drug department as a mere blind to conceal alleged gun-running, and also the report that Musica's original hair tonic business, established about 1922, formed the basis of his fortune through the illegal diversion of immense quantities of alcohol into boot-legging channels, through which he obtained his first \$1,000,000 and then purchased the venerable McKesson, Robbins firm.—United Press.

MANY CALLED FOR QUESTIONING

Hartford, Dec. 18.
Political circles in Connecticut are watching developments in the McKesson, Robbins scandal closely.

while prominent personages have been called for questioning.

Mr. Harry Mackenzie has been summoned before the Federal Grand Jury of New York on Monday presumably to testify regarding his alleged activities as legislative agent for McKesson, Robbins Corporation.

Mr. Archibald McNeill, who is an attorney from Bridgeport, and former Democratic national committeeman, has also been subpoenaed.

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Yesterday's rain, although practically negligible, was the first recorded during the present month. Incidentally the 10 a.m. local forecast to-day indicated some drizzle or mist, with the sky remaining cloudy.

Bitter Attack By Mr. Ickes

NEW YORK,

Dec. 18.

ONE OF THE MOST OUTSPOKEN attacks on Fascism ever made by a United States Minister, was uttered by Mr. Harold L. Ickes, Secretary for the Interior, when addressing the Cleveland Zionist Society to-day.

He declared that it was an insult to the Middle Ages to compare modern totalitarianism with conditions in those days.

"To seek a true comparison, we must return to the period when man was unlettered, benighted and bestial.

"Certain sections of Europe to-day made it possible for the anthropologists to study primitive man without the basis of human law bones, or a few implements used long ago.

"The intelligence and culture of humane people have been sunk and are traceless in the thick darkness of primitive times.

"Witchcraft has been enthroned, and modern dictators have set themselves up as high priests of a more cruel, if more refined, voodooism.

"As the man-god rule of the tribe, the dictator follows the form familiar to every student of primitive cultures."

FORD ATTACKED

Mr. Ickes attacked Mr. Henry Ford and Colonel Lindbergh for accepting decorations from Herr Hitler. "How can any American," calling himself a Christian, accept decorations from the hands of a brutal dictator, who, with the same hands, robs and tortures thousands of his fellow humans?" he asked. Perhaps Mr. Ford and Colonel Lindbergh will be willing to answer.

"These are not the only ones who have accepted a token of contemptuous distinction at a time when the bestower himself, counts only the day lost when he can commit no new crime against humanity."

Mr. Ickes declared that Fascism was an ever-present threat to the United States, "as it is to France, and even more to the mother of the democracies, England."—Reuter.

Mackenzie is reputed to have been instrumental in getting passed the so-called State "Fair Trade Act" last year, and was also on the payroll of the Druggist Association of Connecticut.

Mackenzie recently pleaded guilty in connection with the municipal corruption scandal at Waterbury and is awaiting sentence.

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Hurrying home from Hongkong, to England, 9,000-miles away, Corporal John Walker, of the R.A.M.C. arrived in Shoreditch on December 15 to see his mother, who has been ill for three weeks in St. Leonard's Hospital, and was calling for him. Above is a photograph of mother and son.

End Seen To U.S. Neutrality Legislation

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.

The "WASHINGTON POST," in an editorial to-day says that the United States' \$25,000,000 credit to China should assist in revision of the Neutrality Act.

It is pointed out that the procedure, following the granting of credits is "calculated to evade and nullify the ill-named and misconceived neutrality laws which seek to prevent private individuals from doing precisely what the Government now sanctions."

In pointing out that the credits are completely inconsistent with the Neutrality Act, the paper says that "when the matter comes up for discussion in Congress, it should certainly assist in the revision of legislation which hampers America's foreign policy to such a degree that the administration is forced to use a form of sabotage in order to safeguard essential interests."

The editorial coincides with speculation in responsible circles of changes in the Act when Congress reconvenes on January 3. Many feel that the Act is due for modification, but the changed complexion of Congress, and the rapidly changing world situation makes problematical what form any changes may take. Numerous organizations have announced their intention to agitate for a change in the Act.—United Press.

SLAMMING THE DOOR

London, Dec. 18.
The British Government is reported to be advancing money to China to open the back-door of China for our goods, but to shut the front-door in the colonies to Japanese goods.

"We have the right and power to do it. If we shut that door, we shall soon be the back-door of China to us once more," concludes the newspaper.—Reuter.

"At the same time the Japanese insist upon entering our market in the crown colonies by the front door. The proper course for us is not to open the back-door of China for our goods, but to shut the front-door in the colonies to Japanese goods."

"We have the right and power to do it. If we shut that door, we shall soon be the back-door of China to us once more," concludes the newspaper.—Reuter.

"BETTER LATE THAN NEVER"
Shanghai, Dec. 18.
British and American credit loans to China are undoubtedly belated comments the "North China Daily News" in an editorial to-day, but they are "better late than never."

The paper declares that they may still "serve to render that assistance (Continued on Page 4.)

NEW TAXATION: GOVERNOR SETS UP COMMISSION

THE GOVERNOR'S PROMISE, made when he addressed the Legislative Council on the Budget on October 13, that he would appoint a special committee to investigate what methods of taxation could best be adopted in the Colony should it be necessary to raise additional revenue, has been fulfilled.

The Colonial Secretary has issued an official communique revealing the personnel of the committee, and the terms of reference.

The committee comprises seven, including Mr. C. B. Burgess as secretary, the other members being:

The Hon. Mr. S. Caine, who is chairman, Sir Vandeleur M. Grayburn, Kt., Mr. D. J. Sloss, C.B.E., M.A., the Hon. Mr. J. J. Peterson, the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, and Mr. J. Fleming.

The terms of reference for this committee are as follows: "To consider and report what methods of taxation could best be adopted in the Colony, should it be necessary to raise additional revenue, having regard to the Colony's general economic position, and the importance of distributing any additional burden in the most equitable manner in relation to the incidence of existing taxation."

The first meeting of the committee will be held at 5 p.m. on December 29.

FIRST INTIMATION

The possibility of Hongkong taxpayers being asked to make bigger contributions some time in the future was envisaged by His Excellency the Governor in his speech on the 1939 Budget, when he said that the prospect must be faced of either the policies represented by the development of social services must be reversed, or more revenue must be found.

His Excellency said that it could not be seriously contended that Hongkong was heavily taxed at present, and he suggested that further taxation to provide the amount necessary to support and develop those policies could be borne without hardship, provided that fair and equitable means of levying it were found.

Present sources of revenue, His Excellency added, were few and not very flexible. Owing to special economic conditions in Hongkong, certain obvious sources of revenue were, His Excellency said, ruled out. He expressed the view, however, that it was not beyond our abilities to devise means of broadening the basis of taxation in the Colony. Sir Geoffrey expressed the opinion that the problem was the most important financial question now facing the Colony.

HONGKONG MAN WILL INTERVIEW DICTATORS

WITH THE IDEA of gaining personal contact with the "governors, rulers, prime ministers, and even dictators of most of the countries of the world, in order to exchange with them philosophical views on the ideal of world peace, Mr. G. E. Jernbjelke, a Swedish subject, residing in Hongkong, plans to start a world tour in the near future.

He hopes to interview, among others, Mahatma Gandhi, Mussolini, Hitler, Daladier, Chamberlain, the King of Egypt, the King of Siam, King Carol, and other leading personalities in the world of politics. He plans to leave for America in the near future, and to return after giving a series of lectures at the invitation of the Swedish-American Society, to Hongkong, from whence he will start a tour of Indo-China, Siam, India, Palestine, Turkey, Egypt, and most of the European countries.

His aim is two-fold. Firstly to study the lives and problems of the masses in these countries, and secondly to interview their leaders. He says that he will like to have a little chat with all of them, although he does not believe in dictatorship.

"I do not believe that a dictator can rule as well as an assembly of people, gathered by and for the people, but I must be and am, entirely unpolitical, will in no way interfere with the domestic policies of the countries I visit. Every nation must be allowed to govern itself."

Mr. Jernbjelke hopes to convey a message of peace to the countries, as he is convinced, after his recent experiences in China, that war, under any circumstances, is evil.

LATEST

Earthquakes Rock New Zealand

Auckland, N.Z., Dec. 18.
Severe earthquakes have been reported throughout the island during the past few days.

No deaths have been reported, although several buildings and other property have been damaged.—United Press.

Australian Air Mail In

Imperial Airways plane Delphinus landed at Kai Tak at 2.45 p.m. with Australian air mail.

See Back Page For
Further Late News

FROST GRIPS EUROPE Big Snowfalls Recorded In England

LONDON, DEC. 18.
A SUDDEN SPELL of cold, which follows a period of unusual mildness, has placed the whole of Britain in the grip of frost, and a temperature of nine degrees below freezing point has been registered in some parts, accompanied, by icy winds, which reached gale force in some places, notably in Scotland, where a gale has been raging for 56 hours.

Considerable falls of snow have been reported from Scotland and Yorkshire, and lesser falls as far south as Buckinghamshire and Middlesex.

A man, found unconscious at Camberwell, died before reaching hospital, and it is believed his death was due to the cold.—Reuter Special.

INTENSE COLD RECORDED
Paris, Dec. 18.
The whole of France is suffering intensely from a cold spell, especially in the eastern areas, where people in the streets are blue-nosed and shivering.

At Bruges, the bitter cold caused the metal of a tank containing molasses to contract, and over 4,000 tons of molasses broke loose. Moving forward like a mass wave, it overturned a second tank containing a further 2,000 tons, and the united mass of molasses overturned a large tank of creosote mixture then broken a wall, and spread among the shops and houses, installations, threatening the gas supply of all Bruges.—Reuter Special.

WOMAN OF 70 STRUGGLED WITH ARMED BURGLAR

'He Was a Good Boy' Verdict on Man Her Son Shot

"She is an old lady of 70, but it was a test many of us would not like to be put to," commented the coroner at a Birmingham inquest recently referring to "the very brave act" of a woman who struggled with an intruder and sat on him while her son went for help.

"Justifiable homicide" was the verdict on William George Hart (36), of Effinch Lane, Barton-under-Needwood, near Burton-on-Trent, who died from tetanus after being remanded on a charge of house-breaking.

He was shot in the leg during a struggle, when surprised by Mrs. Harriet Winnill and her son Jack at their house at Croxall.

They had heard footsteps upstairs on returning home, and found a bedroom ransacked. Mr. Jack Winnill fetched a gun he had bought the night before; Mrs. Winnill armed herself with a torchlight and walking stick.

"We did not know how many were up there," Mrs. Winnill told the coroner. "There might have been one, two, three or four."

MOVE AND I SHOOT

"My son then entered the door of my room. I could see a man crouching in the far corner in front of a chest of drawers. He had a cycle lamp."

"My son said, 'Move and I will shoot,' she added. "The man turned round and my son said, 'Why, it's Bill Hart. What are you doing here?' He mumbled something and then crouched down with his back towards us."

"I thought he was going to pick up a firearm and advanced towards him with my stick. I thought if he were going to fire I would either knock it out of his hand or take the bullet myself. Instead he put the light out and picked up a poker."

Hart, she said, struck her three or four times on the top of her head and shoulder, and she broke her walking stick on him.

'HELL DO US BOTH IN'

He caught her by the throat and threw her on the bed, and she saw her son being struck with the poker. "There was blood streaming down my son's face, and I shouted, 'Shoot, Jack, or he'll do us both in.'"

"Then I heard the shot. When I got myself together I found them still struggling at the top of the stairs, and he still held the poker and was trying to push Jack backwards downstairs."

"I went to help, and between us we pushed Hart down on the landing."

Mrs. Winnill said that her son went for help and she sat on Hart on one of the stairs. "He took my hand and said, 'Mrs. Winnill, I am sorry. Don't send for the police. Keep it quiet. It will upset my mother.'"

"I told him, 'You naughty lad—you didn't study your mother or me when you came here.' Then I saw how badly he was bleeding, and made a tablecloth into a tourniquet, which I tied above the wound."

AIMED LOW

The son said he "held the gun low to hit his legs if possible. It was the one way of stopping him."

Sitting by the fire in her home Mrs. Winnill said, "Poor Hart. He was a good boy and a clever mechanic who could have earned his living anywhere, and poor Mrs. Hart, his mother. What a dreadful thing it must be for her."

"I am very strong for my age," she went on, "mainly because I have worked hard all my life, and I have lived in the country. I was born at Kenilworth, and I shall never go and live in a town. People say to me, 'I suppose you will leave that house now,' but I say, 'What is the good?' There have been eight burglaries recently in Alrevas, nearby, and the man has never been caught. One of the burglaries was in broad daylight, so I am as safe here as anywhere. The railway has given me this house as long as I want it, and only having an old-age pension and my son's earnings, I can't afford to move, anyway."

Kick Kicks Back

CINCINNATI.

Quinton Jesse, 14, walking idly along the street, took a healthy kick at a cardboard box in his way. Hospital attendants said that the boy wrenched his left leg and dislocated his left knee.

THE "TELEGRAPH" will send a Staff Photographer to all events of public interest. Requests should be addressed to the Pictorial Editor.



An asbestos-land man, which will serve as the theme statue of the Johns-Manville building at the New York World's Fair, was unveiled in ceremonies, at above, Grover Whalen, Fair president, and Lewis H. Brown, president of Johns-Manville, are at right. The huge figure is against a background of metal flames, at the building's entrance.

Asbestos Man At Fair

LETTERS

Petition For Peace

To the Editor, Hongkong Telegraph.

Sir,—None realises more than the Peace Pledge Union that Mr. Neville Chamberlain is making a sincere effort to create and establish peace in Europe and the world generally, by his policy of appeasement, but it is the conviction of the Peace Pledge Union that permanent world peace depends upon a fundamental and general settlement.

It is the belief of the Union that permanent peace cannot be secured by competitive armaments, through sacrifices imposed upon small nations, or by exclusive arrangements between groups of major Powers. The Union therefore urges the necessity of holding a new peace conference open to all nations and directed towards remedying the economic and political conditions likely to lead to war.

To this end it prays that His Majesty's Government will take in consultation with the President of the United States of America, the necessary steps to secure the holding of such a conference, after adequate preparation, and to offer the fullest collaboration of Britain in bringing the negotiations to a successful issue.

The Hongkong group of the Peace Pledge Union unanimously associates itself with this petition, which is to be presented in due course to His Majesty's Government, and cordially invites residents of Hongkong to add their signatures to it. Copies of the petition are now in the hands of members of the Peace Pledge Union in Hongkong, through whom signatures to the petition can be made, or alternatively the petition can be signed upon enquiry at the Challenge Book Shop, 1st floor, Queen's Building, Ice House Street.

Publication of this letter in your valuable columns, in order to bring the petition before your readers, will be very warmly appreciated by the Hongkong Group of the Peace Pledge Union.

I. A. SIONT.

Hon. Sec. H.K. Group, P.P.U.

Manila Broadcasts

Sir,—I wonder if any ZBW official listened to the Manila station last night and heard the beautiful rendition of the First and Second Acts of Gilbert and Sullivan's "H.M.S. Pinafore."

Two hours of solid opera usually leaves me bored, but I must confess that I listened enthralled to last night's broadcast from Manila.

In the apparent absence of local artists who can give us this sort of concert, would it not be possible for ZBW to relay the Sunday night concerts from KZRM? They are much preferable to the Sabbath programmes we usually get from the local station.

Incidentally, is there any reason why ZBW relays should be confined to Daventry?

DARTFORD.

Cinema Critic

Sir,—One of the reasons why I avoid going to cinema houses in Hongkong unless the programme is an outstanding one is the terrific blaring from behind the screen. I am

sure the local picture houses could obtain greater European patronage if they would cease giving their patrons a headache along with their entertainment.

Hongkong seems to be one of the few cities where the maxim, after the film is inserted into the projector, is "let her go." No attempt seems to be made to control the volume of sound.

This seems to apply to every theatre in the Colony, with the possible exception of the King's Theatre, where some sort of control is exercised.

CINEMADDICT.

The First Shot

Sir,—With reference to the article "Man Who Started War Meets Man Who Ended It," published in the Hongkong Telegraph on Wednesday the information, I think, is incorrect, since the first shots were fired on June 23, 1914 at the Archduke Franz Ferdinand and his wife at Sarajevo, in the morning by a printer who failed to hit his mark, and in the afternoon by a student, who murdered both.

After various protests by the governments concerned, Austria, backed-up by Germany, sent Serbia an ultimatum, with which it was impossible for Serbia to comply in the time. When the ultimatum expired Austrian artillery commenced to shell Belgrade.

I take it that one of the above incidents should be considered the "First Shot of the Great War."

If the heading is meant to read "The First Britisher to Fire a Shot," again I think it is incorrect. This controversy was settled by a paragraph, published in the Daily Mail, about 1931, and read, almost word for word, as follows:

"It is said that Corporal Thomas of the Dragoon Guards fired the first shot of the Great War, however, Corporal King of the Royal Marines is credited with having fired the first shot, a gunnery on board H.M.S. Amphion which sank the German minelayer Konigin Luise on August 5, 1914. This gallant marine now lies buried in Bury St. Edmund's Churchyard, Suffolk."

The Daily Mail also meant it to read "The First Britisher," at least, I think so.

The above action took place before the British Expeditionary Force landed in France, which I think was late in August, 1914; so, to credit Corporal Thomas with being the "First British Soldier to Fire a Shot in the Great War" would be more appropriate than "First Britisher."

I treasure the above cutting very much, having served close on sixteen years in that regiment. Unfortunately, I have neither the cutting nor any other authentic means out here to prove what I relate is correct, nevertheless, I will thank any other reader, who is able to contradict and correct me in what I have had to say.

I do not dispute Corporal F. H. Pennington having dispatched Earl Haig's memorable "cease fire" wire on Nov. 11, 1918, but to say he was the "Man Who Ended It" is, I think, rather misleading, inasmuch as there was many an angry shot fired as a result of the Great War between Nov. 1918 and the official "Ending of the Great War" June 7, 1921. I presume Corporal F. H. Pennington had returned to civilian life quite some time before the latter date; hence, he had little to do with "The Man Who Ended It."

PROUD OF THE REGIMENT.

Hockey

OFFICERS DEFEATED AT MACAO

Home Side Scores Goal in Each Half

MACAO, Dec. 18. In sunny weather, fine hockey was witnessed in Macao this afternoon by a large crowd when the Army Officers' team from Hongkong met Macao's eleven in a hockey match which resulted in a victory for the home team by two clear goals.

The sides were fairly evenly matched and from the outset, speed was particularly marked. With the local forwards commencing a concerted attack, the Army defence received a scare when a fast ball from A. Angelo, outside-right, found the visitors' net just a minute after bully-off. Owing to "sticks," the goal was disallowed.

The Army half-back line was wide awake to further attack and the smart work of Smith and Douglas at back relieved the pressure. Good placing by Hook, the pivot, and Gudgeon and Fergus enabled the Army forwards to threaten Macao's defence, keeping Costa and Rosario hard at work.

Macao's flanks were always dangerous and after 20 minutes, Pedro Angelo at centre, registered a fine shot from close range.

Undaunted, the Army made strenuous efforts to equalise, but the local defence ably prevented the visitors from securing a goal. The interval arrived without further score.

Upon resumption, Macao seemed to attain better form, and the local forwards pressed. The ball was mostly in Army territory. Macao had all but scored again when a magnificent shot by Ramalho struck the right goal-post. Excitement ran high when the Army carried the ball on the rebound well into enemy territory with only Almado to beat. The local custodian, however, cleared beautifully.

MACAO SCORES AGAIN

Two short corners were awarded to Macao in quick succession, the second being rewarded by a goal registered by Alex Airosa, centre-half.

Before the close of play, the Army tried hard to penetrate the local defence. Two fine chances when the ball was passed from the Army's right flank to centre well in Macao's danger zone, were unfortunately missed.

The standard of the Army's play was generally good. Col. Smith was invaluable at back, saving the situation very often and receiving the fullest co-operation of Douglas, Hook, the Army's pivot, distributed splendidly.

Macao was definitely not in the best form but worked together as a team, Costa, as usual, taking on more than his share.

Macao.—Almada; Costa, R. Rosario; J. Nolasco, Alex Airosa, Albert Airosa; Fred Nolasco, Ramalho, P. Angelo, H. Rosario, A. Angelo. Army Officers.—Gibson; Col. Smith, Douglas; Gudgeon, Hook, Fergus; Kennedy, Holmes, Lawder, Masterton Smith, Capt. Smith.—Our Own Correspondent.

SWISS WARNED

BERLIN, Dec. 18.

A WARNING to Switzerland, that if she wants to be regarded as a neutral Power, she must cease agitation and propaganda against Germany, is contained in the "Völkischer Beobachter", which says:

"Shameless agitation has been going on for years against the internal policy of Germany, and it has reached intolerable proportions since the taking over of Austria and the Sudetenland."

"Switzerland must be told in a decided manner that it isn't the least bit like neutrality when all the pro-German elements in the country are persecuted and proscribed, while the worst agitators against the Reich, continue to function with impunity."—Reuter.

Big Crowd Watches Soviet Funeral

MOSCOW, Dec. 18. Hundreds of thousands assembled in the Red Square for the funeral of M. Chkalov, prominent Soviet official, to-day.

For two days many thousands filed past the coffin.

To-day, the urn containing the cremated remains, was carried from Trade Union House to the Red Square by M. Stalin, M. Molotov and other Soviet leaders, where orations were delivered, and then, amid a salute and the strains of a funeral march, the urn was carried to the Kremlin wall, where it was placed in a niche.

The last salute was given by bombers and light fighting planes, which flew over the Square.—Reuter.

Spy Confession Not Believed

Los Angeles, Dec. 18. George Miller, aged 28, was arrested when found hiding to-day in the fuselage of a bombing plane at the Vultee aircraft plant.

He said that he had been "in spy business for 10 years."

The authorities doubted his sanity, and have ordered a mental examination.—United Press.

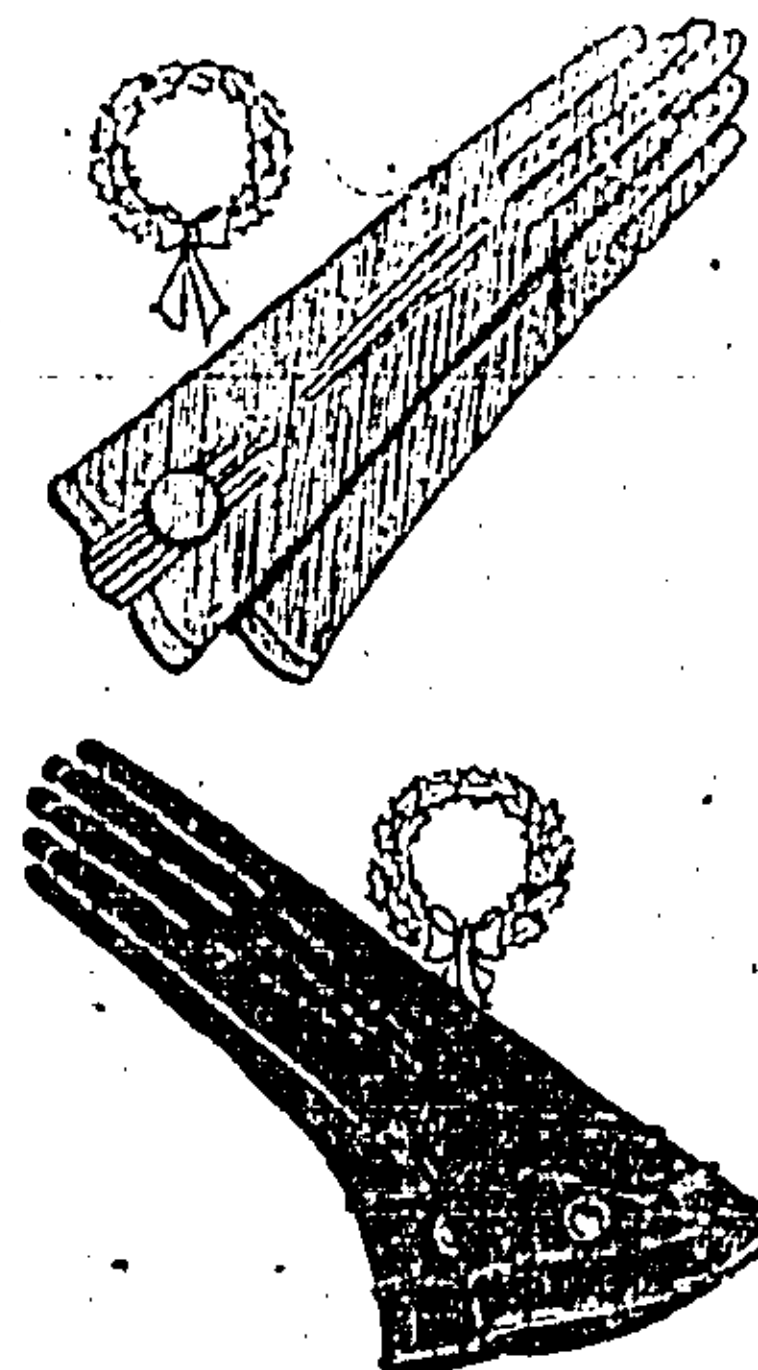
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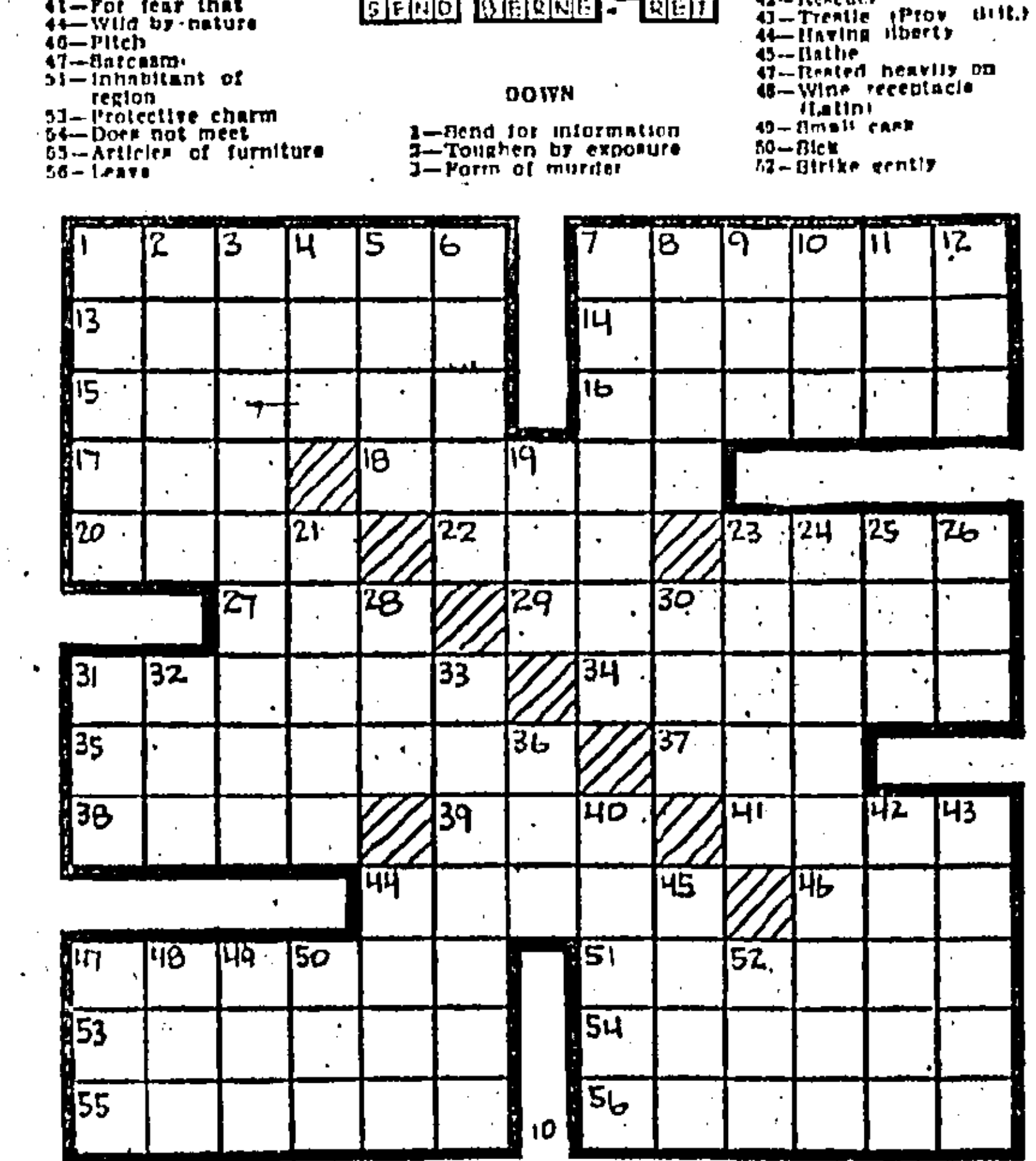
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Crossword Puzzle

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1—Minstrel
2—Phrase
3—Kind of paint
4—Lease
5—In time to come
6—Declined for
7—Paradise
8—Restrain
9—Not thoroughly
10—New Zealand tree
11—Spanish era
12—Symbol of vengeance
13—Unpleasant sound
14—Musical composition
15—Mining moderately (music)
16—Footish fellow
17—Visitor
18—Not cooked
19—For fear that
20—Wine by nature
21—Pitch
22—Bacchanal
23—Instant of region
24—Mischievous charm
25—Does not meet
26—Antlers of furniture
27—Leaves
28—Large bird
29—Blow vehicle
30—Blow in severity
31—Part of camera
32—Becal insect
33—American Indian
34—Polish river
35—Old age
36—Lena time
37—Fifteen month
38—Referring to kidney
39—Medicinal plant
40—Small horse
41—Horse eod
42—Hiding place
43—Sound of cow
44—Century (col)
45—A mine
46—Arenum
47—Part of cereal plant
48—Declined gradually (Latin)
49—Reckless
50—Treatie (Prov. Unit.)
51—Having liberty
52—Little
53—Heated heavily on
54—Wine vegetable (Latin)
55—Small cane
56—Blow
57—Strike empty (Latin)



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Regular Service Across Pacific

HONGKONG WILL GET its first glimpse of Pan American Airways' giant 72-passenger Boeing Clippers early in February, according to information released this morning.

Government tests of the new machine have been completed and the first experimental flight across the Pacific, from San Francisco to Hongkong, is scheduled for eight weeks' time.

The first flight will not be made in a commercial capacity, and no mails, freight or passengers will be carried.

The 41½-ton flying hotel, which is now at San Francisco, will fly non-stop to Washington next week for its dedication ceremony, possibly by President Roosevelt himself.

It is believed that the plane may be christened "Cathay Clipper."

Another two machines of the same type are now ready for commercial tests. These two machines are definitely scheduled for use on the trans-Pacific route and as soon as they are ready for service, probably in March, the first Boeing which is to make the experimental flights in February will be withdrawn for experimental flights across the Atlantic.

SIX GIANTS ORDERED

Pan American Airways has ordered six of these giant Clippers, two for the trans-Pacific service to Hongkong, two for the proposed trans-Atlantic service and two for a projected service between Honolulu and New Zealand.

It is understood that the projected service to the Antipodes will, like the trans-Atlantic service, be operated jointly by Pan American Airways and Imperial Airways. Negotiations have already commenced for a franchise to operate the joint service to Australia instead of New Zealand.

Burma Takes Firm Anti-Riot Stand

Rangoon, Dec. 18. In order to meet the threatened civil disobedience campaign, the Government has issued a communique announcing its decision to take "all necessary measures effectively to check the present campaign of civil disobedience and general lawlessness."—*Reuter*.

No English Mail Until To-morrow

The Imperial Airways plane Delphinus is expected at Kai Tak at 5 p.m. to-day with Australian mails.

The United Kingdom mail has been delayed another day and will not reach Hongkong until to-morrow at 5 p.m. The planes Delia and Dardanus will bring the Home mail.

The last mail from England arrived in Hongkong on Thursday and the mail coming to-morrow is three days behind schedule. Though only barest information has reached Hongkong, it is possible that there might be a small quantity of Home mail with the Australian load on the Delphinus. However, the main mail will come to-morrow.

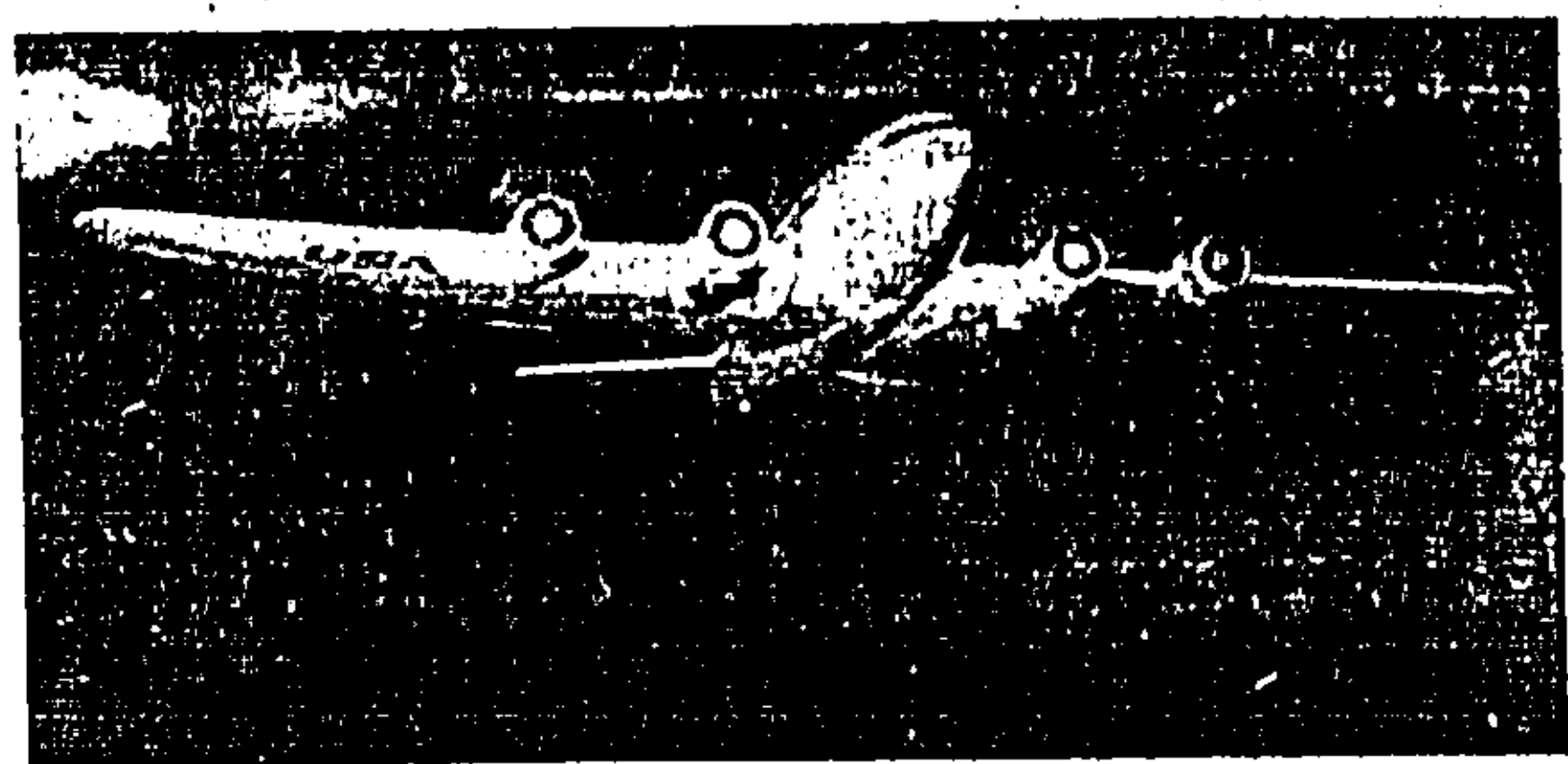
Big Increase In Smuggling

Shanghai, Dec. 18. Authoritative circles here reveal a great increase of opium smuggling into Shanghai during the first half of December.

It is declared that between 50 and 200 pounds of opium are imported daily, while formerly 20 pounds was regarded as an extremely high figure.

During November Police confiscated 800 pounds of opium, and arrested 100 people mostly farmers coming from the interior with small quantities, while a search of incoming ships resulted in several large hauls.

Arrests during the first half of December have exceeded the number of apprehensions during November.



THE BOEING CLIPPER

Stalemate In War In China Still Continues

SHANGHAI, Dec. 18.

JUDGING BY THE LATEST REPORTS received here to-day, the situation on the various fronts remains virtually unchanged.

Japanese forces are mostly holding the same positions which they held several weeks ago. It is believed, however, the Japanese High Command is expediting preparations for a new offensive in north-western China, with Sian, capital of Shensi, probably as the first main objective.

The Japanese forces in Central and South China are apparently out making special efforts to advance, and are concentrating their endeavours on cleaning up areas already occupied, while a considerable number of Chinese irregulars have been extremely active of late, harassing the Japanese by frequent raids.

In view of the vast extent of the territories nominally held by the Japanese, the presence of the guerrillas is making the task of the Japanese all the more difficult.

Furthermore, it is impossible for the Japanese to isolate these territories from the Chinese main forces, and as a result of their contact with the main forces, the Chinese irregulars are constantly receiving arms, ammunition and men from these sources.—*Trans-Ocean*.

white captures of opium have amounted to 500 pounds. The number of preventive officers of the Customs authorities, and French Concession and the International Settlement police has been increased, and a minimum of two smuggling cases are heard daily in the Chinese courts.—*Trans-Ocean*.

Japanese Abandon East River

WUCHOW, Dec. 18.

LATEST MILITARY despatches from the front state that the Japanese forces have practically completely abandoned the East River front and, in retreating, suffered large numbers of casualties and loss of ammunition to the advancing Chinese.

Following the recapture of Tamsui and Pingshan, the reports say, Chinese forces have now reached Aolow, the tiny village on the sandy beach of the Blas Bay where the Japanese first made their landing on October 12.

Cheungning, Foklin, Sunkokong, Ngankong, Hucheng and Leungayun, all strategic points in the East River area, were successively retaken by the Chinese yesterday. Describing the Chinese success, a despatch from Suiukong states that over 1,000 Japanese were killed and wounded and a quantity of military supplies seized.

Japanese forces, the despatch says, are steadily shortening their line with the main army concentrated at Canton. Feverish preparations are made to strengthen the defence of the city and its immediate vicinity.

Another report states that Chinese guerrillas on the outskirts of Canton have reached Kungtung, ten miles north of Canton, on the Canton-Hankow Railway.

On the West River, Japanese forces have been increased to over 3,000 men at Samshui, Hohow, and Suikun on the Canton-Samshui Railway. Aside from erecting defence works, little activities are noticed.

A report from Szeval states that several hundred Japanese made a cautious advance from Yeungnui and Keelung, northward along the high-way to strategic points on the North River on December 17, but were checked by Chinese vigilance.—*Central News*.

Corsica Acts Against Italians

BASTIA, Dec. 18.

STRICT SUPERVISION of the activities of Italian agents in Corsica was demanded in a resolution passed by the Committee of Action and Defence, which was formed here following the recent Italian claims.

Other resolutions demand: withdrawal of the right of Italians to shoot game;

strict control to ensure that immigration is "not exceeded";

immediate enforcement of all existing military forces and the creation of new naval and air bases on the island;

an assurance of proper food supplies;

an energetic demarche to Rome to end the anti-French campaign; reinforcement of special police, the number of which is considered insufficient;

suppression of the Italian newspaper "Nuvra";

exclusion of Italian labourers from public works construction on the island, and from the local administration;

supervision of Italian residents and the immediate expulsion of all suspicious characters.—*Reuter*.

Mother and Father Die In Kowloon

Swift Tragedy Comes To Local Family

SWIFT TRAGEDY has robbed a well-known Hongkong family of two sisters and three brothers of both their parents within twenty-four hours.

Following the death in Kowloon Hospital yesterday morning of Mr. James S. White, former chief engineer of the steamer Fook On, Mrs. White, his wife, passed away suddenly at the same hospital early this morning. Mrs. White died of shock.

She was visiting the hospital yesterday when she collapsed.

Her condition, after her husband's death, became so serious that she also was admitted as a patient.

Her strength did not rally and, almost 24 hours to the minute after the death of her husband, she passed away.

The death of Mr. White yesterday morning was totally unexpected to the family. He was admitted to Kowloon Hospital only three days ago, and his condition on Saturday night did not appear to be serious. The husband and wife are survived by three sons and two daughters, Mr. W. J. White, Mrs. M. Berreux, Mr. George White, Miss Gertrude White and Mr. V. H. White.

Mr. White was 63 years of age and Mrs. White 57 years of age. The couple have resided in Hongkong for many years, and were married in this Colony.

The funeral services will be held simultaneously at the Colonial Cemetery Chapel at 5.15 p.m. to-day, and the well-known couple will be buried side by side.

Mussolini Dedicates New Town

Rome, Dec. 18.

Signor Mussolini left Port Gela on board the cruiser Bolzano on Saturday evening for Sardinia, where he will perform the ceremony of dedicating the new "mining town" of Carbonia.

Among those accompanying the Duce was the Secretary of the Fascist Party, Signor Starace, the Minister of Education, Signor Alfieri, and the Minister of Corporations, Signor Lantini.

In an address delivered by Il Duce to-day at the formal inauguration of the town of Carbonia, which has been built for miners employed in the coal mines of Sardinia, the Italian dictator failed to make any reference to the acute foreign political problems such as the Italian claims on France.

Mussolini merely spoke of the economic problems of Italy, and of the creative and organising genius which the new Italy displayed in the solution of her difficult problems. Political quarters here declare that it is by no means surprising that Il Duce made no reference to foreign affairs, since Italy has not yet given formal, or diplomatic notice of Italian claims on which world interest has been focussed for some weeks.

It is pointed out that official notice of Italy's claims at the present moment would merely be grist to the mill of Italy's enemies, and would only make more difficult the mission of Mr. Neville Chamberlain, who is visiting Rome in January.—*Trans-Ocean*.

OFFICIALS ACCOMPANY IT DUCE

Rome, Dec. 18. Accompanied by an important retinue of Ministers and high officials, Signor Mussolini visited Sardinia and inaugurated the new coal-mining town christened Carbonia, to-day.

The "Coal city," has been built on modern lines.

During a brief speech, in which he made no reference to foreign affairs, Signor Mussolini declared that a new centre had arisen where previously malaria reigned. He claimed that the town would soon double its population, which at present is 12,000.—*Reuter*.

French Cabinet To Speed Estimates

Paris, Dec. 18.

The French Cabinet, continuing its efforts to speed the budget debate, will on Monday discuss the foreign affairs estimates.

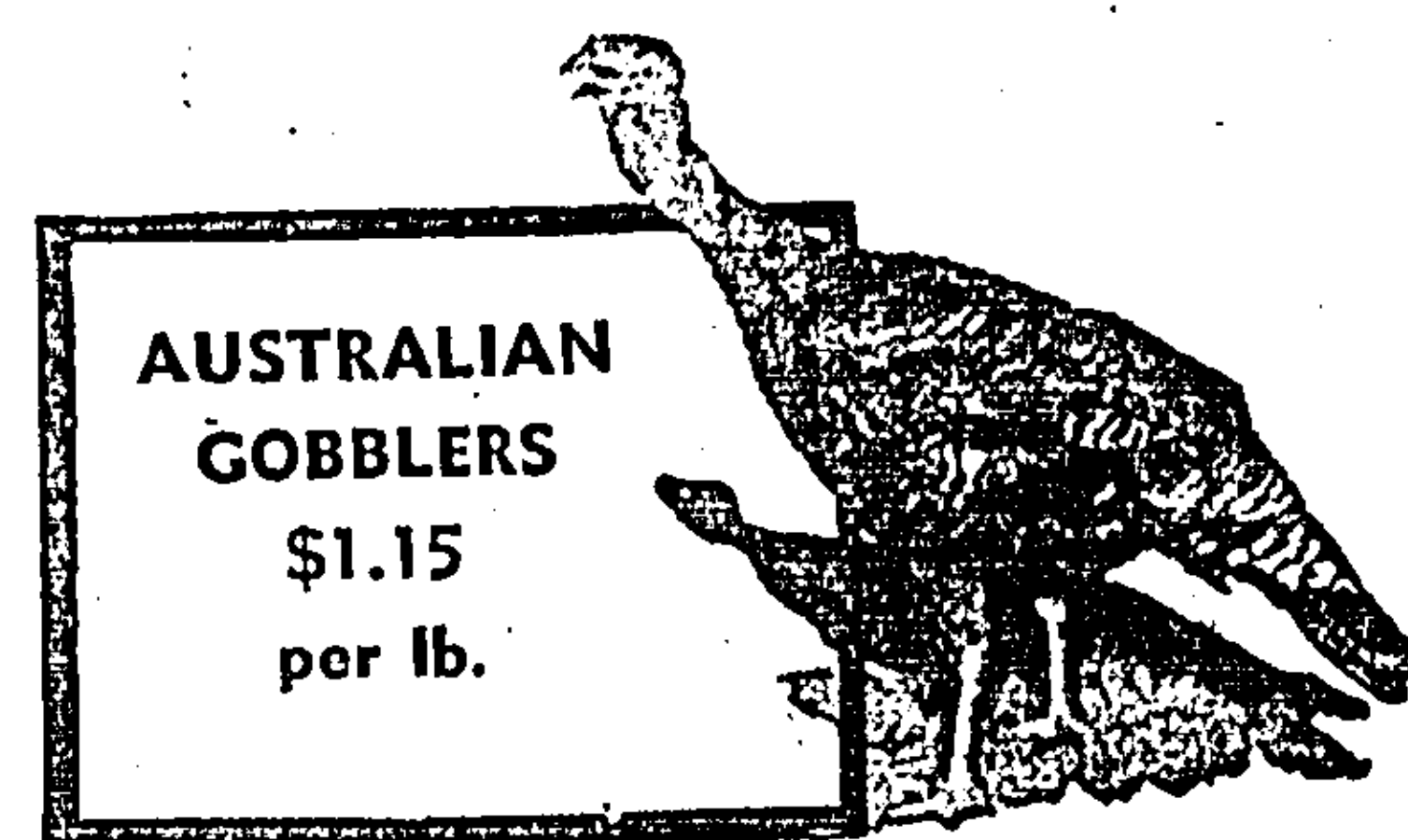
The estimates of the Ministries of Air, Marine and War were passed yesterday.—*Reuter*.



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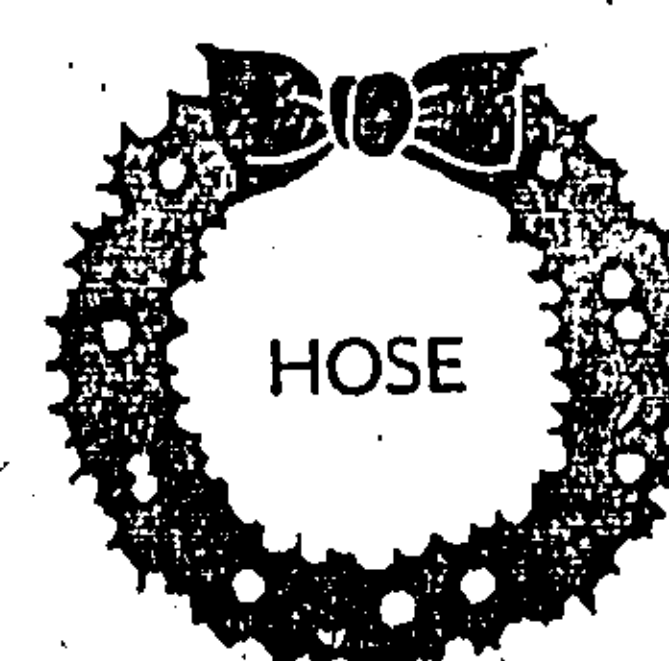
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ROCKY ROADS—A limited quantity of these old favourite chocolates are now on sale at The Clover Flower Shop, Gloucester Arcade.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

The Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued at 12.30 p.m. December 17, says:

The market was quiet but steady during the short session.

Buyers	
Douglas 401	
H.K. & S. Wharves 1115	
H.K. Docks (Old) 1115	
H.K. Docks (New) 1115	
Providentia (Old) 1115	
Providentia (New) 1115	
H. & S. Hotel 1115	
H.K. Lands 1115	
H.K. Realities 1115	
Star Ferry 1115	
Sandakan Lights 1115	
Watson 1115	
Entertainment 1115	
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 0% pm	
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan par	

Sellers	
Hongkong Bank 11340	
H.K. & S. Wharves 1117	
Humphreys 42	
H.K. Electric 1115	
Dairy Farms 1115	
Lane Crawford 1115	
Constructions 1115	

Sales	
Hongkong Bank 11335/30	
H.K. & S. Wharves 1115	
H.K. Docks (New) 1115	
Star Ferry 1115	
H.K. Electric 1115	
Antamoks 1115	
Benquet Consol. 1115	
Coco Grove 1115	
Con. Mines 1115	
Demonstrations 1115	
I.X.L. 1115	
Paracale Gumas 1115	
San Maurilio 1115	
Suyce Consol. 1115	
United Paracale 1115	

U.S. Trade Pact With Turkey

Ankara, Dec. 18. A trade agreement, based on the most-favoured-nation clause, has been signed between Turkey and the United States, according to a semi-official Turkish news-agency. Payments to Turkey by the United States are to be made by way of a clearing system.—Trans-Ocean.

Exchange At A Glance

SELLING	
T.T. London	18. 2 1/2
Demand	18. 2 1/2
T.T. Shanghai	175. Nom.
T.T. Singapore	100 1/2
T.T. Japan	100 1/2
T.T. India	83
T.T. U.S.A.	20 1/2
T.T. Manila	53 1/2
T.T. Batavia	53 1/2
T.T. Bangkok	140 1/2
T.T. Saigon	100 1/2
T.T. France	10. 95
T.T. Germany	71 1/2
T.T. Switzerland	127 1/2
T.T. Australia	170 1/2

BUYING	
4 m/s L/c London	1/3 1/4
4 m/s D/p do.	1/3 1/2
4 m/s L/c U.S.A.	20 1/2
4 m/s France	11. 50
30 d/s India	84 1/2
U.S. Credit rate in Lon.	4. 67 1/2

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Notice to Shareholders.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above-named Company will be held at the Head Office, St. George's Building, Victoria, Hong Kong, immediately following the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Company to take place on Wednesday, the 21st day of December, 1938, at Noon, when the subject Resolution will be proposed as an Ordinary Resolution, viz:—

"That the Authorised Capital of the Company be increased to Fifteen Million Dollars by the creation of One Million New Shares of the nominal value of \$5 each and that such New Shares be issued at such time or times and on such terms and conditions as the Directors in their absolute discretion shall see fit."

By Order of the Board of Directors,
NOEL BRAGA, Secretary.

JUDGMENT FOR H.K. JOCKEY CLUB

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too much money, no pay," Counsel reminded the Jury that it was not on this ground that his client had refused to pay.

Continuing, Counsel commented on the significance of the evidence by the two mafiosos which, curiously enough, had not been touched upon at all by Mr. Potter. He said that the mafiosos attended the ponies and therefore their evidence on the feed must be believed.

NASTY IMPUTATION

Defendants, Counsel went on, had not proved beyond satisfaction that the money was owing, and as regards the question of damages, the Jury must take into consideration the fact that being called a defaulter was a very nasty imputation on a man's character.

To say that no one saw the notice was incorrect, when one considered that there were many boys in the Club who could read and write English.

JUDGE'S SUMMING UP

In his summing-up, His Lordship said that the only question which the Jury had to decide was whether the plaintiff owed the Jockey Club that \$210.

The case for the plaintiff was that during the month of February he was sending in 6 lbs. of fodder a day for the use of his ponies at the Club, and it was impossible for them to have consumed the excess feed which the trainer had drawn from the stables.

He was corroborated by his mafiosos on this point and to a certain extent by Major Hogg, who said that if the ration mentioned was correct it would have been very large.

On the other hand, there was the trainer's denial that any hay was sent, and there was only Mr. Brayfield's word against his.

On behalf of the defence, evidence had been given by the trainer that the excess fodder in question had been supplied by the Jockey Club and consumed by Mr. Brayfield's ponies.

He had also stated that he communicated with Mr. Brayfield on two occasions about this, and that on one Mr. Brayfield replied, "Jockey Club too rich" or words to that effect.

"PIDGIN" ENGLISH

"I suggest," continued His Lordship, "that it is most unlikely for a Chinese, speaking Pidgin English, to have made this up by his own imagination."

"I further suggest there is a ring of truth about it, more especially so since Mr. Brayfield admits he could not remember the occasion, though he does not think he made that remark."

"The plaintiff, of course, based his allegation that his ponies could not have consumed this excess, particularly on the belief that this was charged up to him, in half at any rate, because he was one of the only two winning owners in the stables in question."

"On the other hand, Mr. Wolf, the other winning owner, had stated he had given instructions to the trainer to give his pony excess fodder, but a curious fact is that out of seven ponies belonging to that stable only three consumed excess fodder."

"If your finding is that the plaintiff did not incur this liability and a libel is occasioned for which, in certain circumstances, he may be entitled to compensation, it is desirable in order to prevent a re-trial of this kind, if my legal ruling is thrown out, that you should decide what amount of damages he should get."

"You must remember this, that whereas in slander plaintiff has to show that he did suffer some actual loss, in libel it is only for him to say that the defamatory statement made about him is such as to injure his reputation."

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"A man is entitled to freedom from any attack on his reputation, especially in writing, and if his freedom is assailed he is entitled to damages."

"If, on the other hand, it is obvious that the attack caused little or no

Arab Loyalty to King: Remarkable Display

JERUSALEM, Dec. 18. A COLOURFUL AND IMPRESSIVE spectacle was provided when 3,000 Arab villagers demonstrated their loyalty to the King and Britain on the hillside village of Yatta, south of Hebron.

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning:

BANKS	
H.K. Banks	\$1,335 n.
H.K. Banks, Lon.	\$70 n.
Chartered	\$29 1/4 n.
Mercantile, A. & B.	\$27 1/4 n.
Mercantile, C.	\$13 n.
East Asia	\$88 n.
INSURANCES	
Canton	\$210 n.
Union	\$485 n.
China	\$75 cts n.
H.K. Fire	\$182 n.
SHIPPING	
Douglas	\$61 b.
Steamboats	\$18 n.
Indo-China, P.	\$80 n.
Indo-China, D.	\$82 n.
Shell Bearers	\$17 1/3 n.
Waterbombs	\$9 n.
DOCKS ETC.	
Wharves	\$117 s.
Docks, (old)	\$18 1/4 as.
Docks, (new)	\$17 1/4 as.
Pro. (old)	\$5.00 b.
Pro. (new)	\$5.00 b.
New Eng. Sh.	\$100 n.
Sh. Docks	\$24 n.
Kailan	\$18 n.
Raubs	\$9.35 n.
Venz. Goldfield	\$4 n.
Hongkong Mines	7 1/2 cts n.
MINING	
Antamoks	P. 48 1/2 sa.
Bank of China	P. 25 sa.
Banque Ind.	P. 23 sa.
Benquet Consol.	P. 12.50 sa.
Coco Grove	P. 48 1/2 sa.
Con. Mines	P. 60.35 sa.
Demonstrations	P. 27 sa.
I.X.L.	P. 13 sa.
Mauricio	P. 1.80 sa.
Suyce Consol.	P. 20 1/2 sa.
Paracale	P. 50 sa.
LANDS	
Hotels	\$9.75 sa.
Lands	\$35.54 sa.
Lands	\$107 1/2 n.
Sh. 17	\$9.40 n.
Humphreys	\$9 s.
H.K. Realities	\$5 s.
Chinese Estates	\$90 n.
UTILITIES	
Tram	\$17.10 n.
Peak Trams (old)	\$63 1/4 n.
Peak Trams (new)	\$34 n.
Star Ferry	\$71 1/4 b.
Y. Ferries (old)	\$22 1/4 b.
Y. Ferries, (new)	\$22 1/4 b.
China Lights (old)	\$10.30 sa.
China Lights (new)	\$2 n.
H.K. Electric	\$17 1/4 n.
Macao Electric	\$10.34 b.
Sandakan Lights	\$23.50 b.
Telephone (old)	\$8.00 n.
Telephone (new)	\$8.00 n.
Tractions	21/3 n.
Singapore Pref.	25/- n.
INDUSTRIAL	
Cald: Maeg. (ord.)	\$14 n.
Cald: Maeg. (Pre.)	\$13 n.
Canton Tees	\$17.70 n.
Cement	\$15.80 n.
Ropes	\$4.25 n.
STORES, &c.	
Dairy Farms	\$24 1/4 s.
Watsons	\$7.45 b.
Crawfords	\$8 s.
Singere	\$36 n.
Wing On (H.K.)	\$26 n.
Powell	90 cts n.
COTTON MILLS	
Ewo Cotton Sh.	\$16.40 n.
Shal Cotton Sh.	\$100 n.
Zoong Sings	\$24 n.
Wing On Textiles	\$40 n.
MISC.	
H.K. Entertainments	\$8.40 b.
Constructions	\$13 n.
Vibro	\$7 n.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925	73 1/2 % n.
GS Bonds	73 1/2 % n.
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan	6% pm n.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2 %	par b.
Marsmans (Lon.)	15/6 n.
Marsmans (H.K.)	3/- n.

Big Fire Destroys Dutch Rail Centre

Utrecht, Dec. 18. The main railway station here was completely destroyed by a fire which broke out on Saturday night, and which was not extinguished before midnight to-day.

Damage was so extensive that a complete new station will have to be built.

Operations of the fire brigades, which were reinforced by brigades from Amsterdam, were greatly impeded by the severe cold and a violent wind which constantly re-kindled the flames.

Fortunately no human lives were lost, but the material damage was considerable.—Trans-Ocean.

Boer Celebrations Come To End

Voorrekkerstad, Dec. 18. This city of tents, the scene of South Africa's four-day Voortrekker celebrations, in which 100,000 participants, dispersed to-day, had trekked over the veld followed by the pioneers northward from British rule 100 years ago, have left again, and the greatest camp ever of covered wagons has vanished, leaving only the green veld on which the foundation of Voortrekker Memorial, a 130,000 Voortrekker which was laid yesterday, will now be erected.

An enthusiastic reception was given the King's message which was loudly cheered when read at the stone-laying ceremony. The message is appreciated by all South Africans.—Reuter Special.

Count Ciano Leaves For Budapest

Rome, Dec. 18. The Foreign Minister Count Ciano, will leave for Budapest to-night, having as his main object, according to the Italian press, the reception of an expression of Hungary's thanks to Italy for the realisation of her territorial aims in Czechoslovakia.

Stress is also laid on the new cultural agreement between Italy and Hungary, which is to be signed in Budapest to-day.

It is understood that Ciano will have conversations with members of the Hungarian Government on all questions affecting Italo-Hungarian relations arising out of the partition of Czechoslovakia.—Reuter.

END SEEN TO U.S. NEUTRALITY LEGISLATION

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towards Chinese for which she is in such need."

The paper continues: "The significance to be found in this latest development of the attitude of Great Britain and the United States is astonishing—is very heartily to be welcomed, for while there is every sympathy for the perplexities confronting the two Governments, there has been in the Far East, growing anxiety lest there should be a general failure to realise the growing seriousness of the situation here."

Reuter.

BRITISH SAILORS CONVICTED

Assaulted Houseboy And Constable

Henry F. R. Alridge, 21, and Thomas Gort, 20, both first class stokers of H.M.S. Diamond, appeared before Mr. T. J. Houston at the Central Magistrate's court on two charges of assault.

Both pleaded guilty to charges of assaulting Lau Chu, 30, a house-boy employed at No. 104 The Peak, at Lockhart Road on Saturday morning, and assaulting Detective Constable C324, Tang Tak, at the same place and date.

Lau Chi said that while walking along Lockhart Road to hire a public car, he heard the two defendants making a noise. He stood still, looking at them. First defendant came up to him and punched him on the chest, and second defendant struck him on the face.

Tang Tak said that he heard police whistles being blown when he was in Lockhart Road about 2 a.m. on Saturday. He went up to the first defendant and saw him suddenly strike on the jaw. Witness left the scene to telephone to Wanchai station for assistance.

Sub-Inspector W. N. Darkin said that in answer to a telephone message from the last witness he proceeded to Lockhart Road, where he took the two defendants back to the station.

DEFENDANT'S STORY

Alridge said that a beggar was pestering him at Lockhart Road, and he told the man to go away. When he crossed the road and joined a group of men, and began saying something in Chinese, defendant also crossed the road, and was followed by second defendant and two Royal Scots, who apparently thought he needed assistance.

Defendant alleged that one of the Royal Scots struck the Chinese detective.

Second defendant in evidence denied having took part in the affair. First defendant was convicted on the second charge, and was fined \$25 or a month's hard labour. The first charge was dismissed. The second defendant was convicted on the first charge and was fined \$10 or 14 days' hard labour, and ordered to pay \$5 compensation to the house-boy, or to serve seven days' imprisonment. The second charge was dismissed.

French Envoy For Insurgent H.Q.

Paris, Dec. 18. The appointment of an official French trade representative to Burgos is advocated in to-day's "Intransigent," because France, in order to carry out her re-armament programme, is badly in need of pyrites from Insurgent Spain.

The red cross movement, according to the paper, imported 1,000,000 tons of pyrites, of which two-thirds came from Insurgent Spain. Now France needs much more, and the remaining world market is unable to meet the demand.—Trans-Ocean.

Slovak Government Sweeps The Polls

Pressburg, Dec. 18. The provisional result of the Slovak elections show an overwhelming victory for the Slovak Government, which has obtained 98 per cent. of the total votes of 1,153,900.

The 52 Slovak Chamber Deputies thus elected, include two German representatives, the leader of the German Party in Slovakia, Herr Franz Karamsin, and the Rev. Steinhuebel, and the leader of the United Hungarian Parties, Count Eszthazy.

Results from seven districts are not yet available.—Trans-Ocean.

Spain Volunteers Cross Into France

Paris, Dec. 18. Some 250 members of the International Brigade, including 30 seriously wounded, accompanied by 13 52 Swiss nurses, crossed from Spain into France to-day.

Of these, 110 were French, 62 English, 31 North Americans, 15 Swiss, and 14 Belgian, while the remaining were Dutch, Danes, or Norwegians.

All of the Frenchmen will be sent to their homes, and the others to their countries without delay.—Trans-Ocean.

LOOKING INTO THE FUTURE

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common occurrence in China, especially at the time of any crisis, or great national calamity. In view of the fact that the Chinese people place such great importance on such phenomena, it is certain that the dissemination of the words of such a prophecy will be a potent factor in the restoration of the national moral. This is the view of many of the Chinese 'Intelligentsia.'

POST OFFICE.

FIRST CLASS MAIL

The Public are reminded that sealed letters and packets, irrespective of contents, are classified as first class mail and must be prepaid as such.

CHRISTMAS LETTER MAIL FOR STRAITS AND INDIA

(By Imperial Airways Service)
The Last Christmas Letter Mail (15 cents per half-ounce) for Straits and India by the "Imperial Airways Plane" will be closed as follows:—
Registered Mail 5.00 p.m. Dec. 19.
Ordinary Mail 7.00 p.m. Dec. 19.

This mail is due to arrive at Singapore and Penang on December 21, and Calcutta on December 22, 1938.

INWARD MAILS

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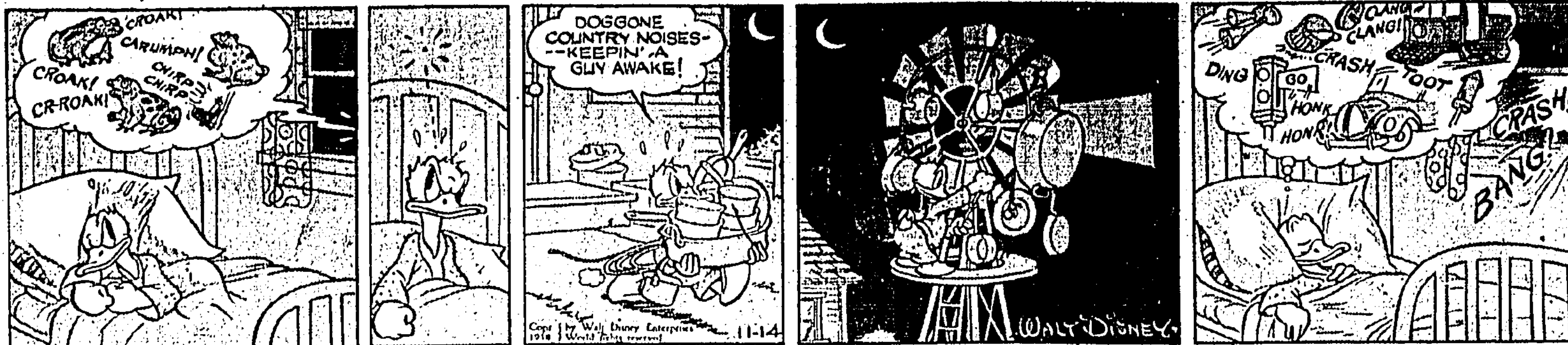
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Second defendant in evidence

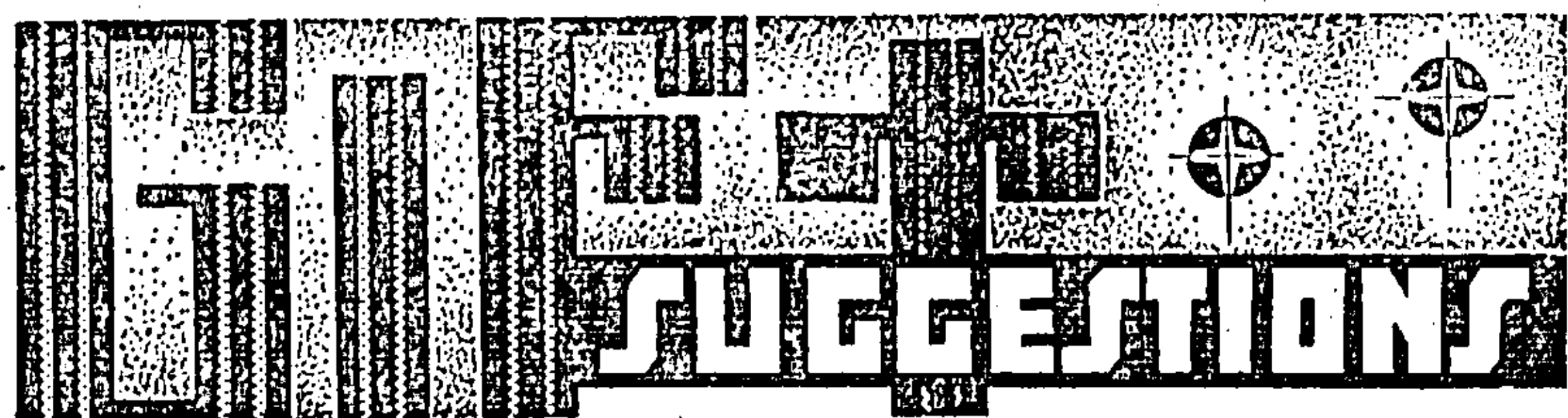
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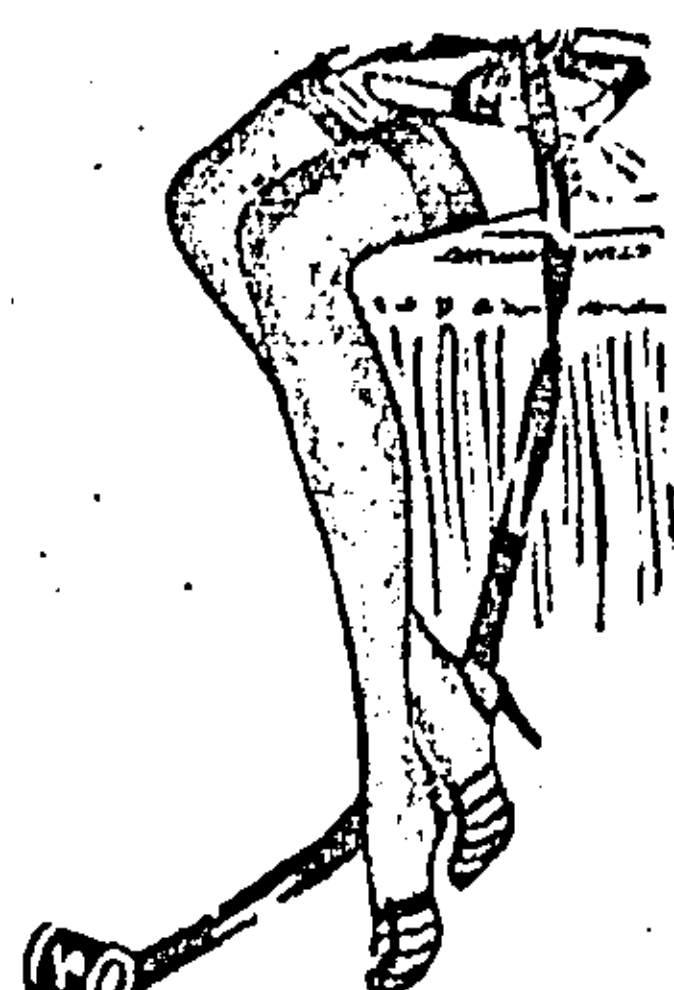


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ALLEGED HOLD-UP DRAMATIC STORY RETOLD IN COURT

Three Men Charged At Criminal Sessions

THE SENSATIONAL attempted hold-up of a motor van carrying a \$9,000 pay-roll for the employees of the Hongkong Mines, Ltd., and the wounding of an Indian police guard near Taiipo on October 20 was recalled this morning, when three Chinese arrested in connection with the affair appeared before Mr. Justice E. H. Williams at the Criminal Sessions.

The men were Cheung Kwai-ching, Choi Hung-chau and Hung Tak. They were charged with shooting at Mr. M. L. Roberts, Mak Wah-foo, Shah Newaz, Ali Mohammed and Jehan Mohammed with intent to murder; wounding Jehan Mohammed with intent to murder; wounding Jehan Mohammed with intent to do grievous bodily harm; and shooting at Mr. Roberts, Mak Wah-foo, Shah Newaz and Jehan Mohammed with intent to do grievous bodily harm.

Cheung and Hung pleaded not guilty to the charges and the following jury were empanelled: Messrs. R. W. C. Lamont (foreman), A. A. Noronha, Paul Lee Kau, A. I. Burnie, R. E. Lee, C. M. Agon and D. F. Kilby.

COURT EXHIBITS
Among the exhibits in Court were a Mauser pistol in good working order, five clips of Mauser ammunition, and two pairs of blood-stained trousers alleged to have been worn by one of the robbers who had been wounded.

Prior to the opening of the case, his Lordship and the jury inspected the van, which bore a hole through the wind-screen and in various other parts of the body. Mr. Roberts, the driver, and the Indian guards sat in the vehicle and showed the positions they were in when the hold-up occurred.

Appearing for the prosecution, Mr. J. B. Prentis, the Assistant Crown Solicitor, said that about 11 a.m. on October 20, the van, which belongs to the Hongkong Mines, left Kowloon for the Lin Ma Hang Mines. In the van were the driver, Mr. M. L. Roberts, a mining engineer employed by the Mines. Behind them were two Indian special guards, Sergeant Shah Newaz and Guard Ali Mohammed, and at the very rear of the van was a third Indian guard, Jehan Mohammed, who was unarmed and was being taken out to the mines as a passenger. The van carried \$9,000 in notes and cash which was the payroll of the Mines employees.

About 12 noon, the van had reached a point on the Taiipo Road about two miles on the Kowloon side of Taiipo. At this point the road curved in an S-shape bend going slightly downhill. They had not seen anyone on the road for half-a-mile but when they reached the S-bend, they saw two Chinese sitting on the left side of the road, and about 20 yards further down, another two Chinese similarly sitting. As the van passed the first couple, the two Chinese ahead got up and walked into the centre of the road, and one of them was seen holding a revolver in his hand.

Seeing this, Mr. Roberts shouted a warning, and reached for his own revolver, which he carried strapped to his waist. As he did so, the men in the road fired, and a bullet went through the wind-screen, splintering the glass, and appeared to have gone out of the back of the van.

GUARDS RETURN FIRE
Events then happened very quickly. The driver, trod on the accelerator as hard as he could, and the van, which was going downhill, speeded up to 50 miles per hour. Mr. Roberts then realised that unless he did something quickly, the van would go over the side of the road, as the driver was merely stepping on the accelerator. He therefore grabbed the steering wheel and pulled the van round that it kept on the road.

The two guards immediately behind Mr. Roberts and the driver, who were acting as an escort for the money and were armed, opened fire on the two Chinese on the road ahead of the van, and continued firing as they passed abreast and after they had passed, leaning out of the windows to do so.

When the first shot was fired, Jehan Mohammed ducked so that he lay on his right side on the rear-most seat. Immediately after the

shot, he felt a pain in his right hip. It was not known whether that bullet had hit him or another, said Mr. Prentis.

During the exchange of fire, one of the robbers was seen to drop. The van got away, and on reaching Taiipo, a report was made to the police. Within half-an-hour, they were on the scene of the crime, and Inspector F. D. B. Tuckett, Divisional Inspector North, was informed by the driver of a passing motor lorry that there was a wounded man lying on the road. Inspector Tuckett went to the place mentioned, and found Hung Tak, who was wounded in the lower part of the back.

The Kowloon Emergency Unit also arrived on the scene, and Lance-Sergeant E. J. Stewart and a party of Chinese constables conducted a search of the undergrowth down the hillside. During this search, a trail of articles were found at intervals. Among these were a grey topcoat, a black Chinese-style cloth shoe, a striped waist-coat, two ammunition clips, one full and the other with seven rounds, a suit of black pongee clothing, and a pair of white canvas shoes, which bore blood-stains on the heels.

SUCCESSFUL SEARCH
Sergeant Stewart ordered the constables to spread out and continue the search, and shortly afterwards, he heard police whistles being blown. Hastening to the spot, he found Cheung and Chai in the custody of three constables. The men had apparently been hidden in a sort of tunnel dug out of the undergrowth. A revolver which could not be fired, and three more ammunition clips for a Mauser pistol were found.

While feeling the undergrowth, Sergeant Stewart heard a report almost under his hand, and on parting the undergrowth, discovered a Mauser pistol. It appeared to have been at full cock and the disturbance of the grass caused it to go off, said Mr. Prentis. It was in full working order except for a spring at the back which did not affect the firing of it. When searched, a round of Mauser ammunition was found in the pocket of the jacket worn by Cheung.

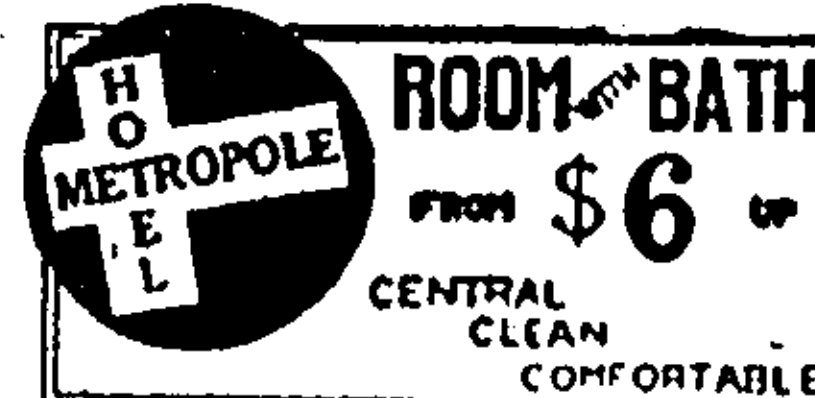
Detective-Sergeant C. Wilcox, searching the vicinity the same afternoon, found three empty cartridge cases near the side of the road, and six rounds of Mauser ammunition in the cave where the first two accused had been found.

When charged with shooting at Mr. Roberts, the driver, and the Indian guards, Cheung said he did not do it. Hung made a similar reply.

CROWN EVIDENCE
Giving evidence, Dr. Dean A. Smith, of the Queen Mary Hospital, said Jehan Mohammed was admitted to the hospital about 2 p.m. on October 20, suffering from a bullet wound in the buttock. The bullet itself was found lying inside the man's pelvis. He did not operate on the man owing to his condition, and the bullet was still in Hung.

After evidence by Mr. Roberts, Mak Wah-foo, the three Indian guards, and police witnesses, Crown-Sergeant J. G. Perkins, police armourer, stated his findings of the examination of the revolvers and ammunition.

The case is proceeding.



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6.30 Closing local Stock Quotations. 6.32 Sea Shanties.

Songs Of The Sea (arr. Terry); Intro: Whisky Johnny; Sally Brown; Let The Bulbine Run; Blow My Bully Boys; Billy Boy; Johnny Come Down To Hilo; Blow the Man Down; Rio Grande... Royal Naval Singers (arr. Carr); The Dubarry... Selection; Irish Washerwoman (arr. Sowerby); Turkey In The Straw (Gulon).

7.10 The B.B.C. Variety Orchestra. Lullworth Cove (Shadwell); Manhattan Moonlight (Alter); Curtain Up (Ballarina Suite—A. Wood)... with Reginald Foort at the BBC Theatre Organ.

7.20 Jane Carr, Hildegard, George Formby, and New Variety. Vocal—Cafe-Chantant (Wal-Berg)... Dania (Vocal) accom. by Wal-Berg and His Orchestra; Impressionist—The Singing Lesson (Carr) Sun Bathing (Carr)... Jane Carr; Dance Orch.—Alexander's Ragtime Band—Selection (Irving Berlin)... New Mayfair Dance Orchestra; Vocal—The Moon Got In My Eyes (Johnston)... Hildegard with Orchestra; Dance Orch.—In A Little Toy Sallal—For-Trot; Small Fry—Slow Fox-Trot (film 'Sing, you Sinners')... Gerald and His Orchestra with vocal refrain; Comedian—George Formby Medley... George Formby with His Ukulele and Orchestra; Cinema Organ—The Wind Has Told Me A Story—Tango; Puzia (Mihaly)... Reginald Foort at the B.B.C. Theatre Organ; Vocal w. Orch.—The Lambeth Walk (from 'Me and My Girl')... Lupino Lane with Teddie St. Denis and Company.

8.0 Time Weather and Announcements. 8.03 Carroll Gibbons (Piano) and His Boy Friends. Ain't She The Dainty (Theme Song 'Aunt Sally'); I Want A Fair And Square Man (Theme Song 'Aunt Sally')... Carroll Gibbons and John W. Green (Piano Duet) with Their Boy Friends; Nymph Errand—Selection (Cole Porter)... Carroll Gibbons and John W. Green (Piano Duet) accompanied by Their Boy Friends; It's An Old Southern Custom (Meyer); According To The

Moonlight (Meyer)... Carroll Gibbons (Piano) and His Boy Friends; Midnight In Mayfair (Chase)... Carroll Gibbons (Piano); With Three I Swing (Adlam)... Carroll Gibbons and His Boy Friends; Foolin' Myself (Tinturin)... You're Here, You're Everywhere (Loeb)... Carroll Gibbons (Piano) and His Boy Friends.

8.30 Songs by Robert Ashley (Baritone). With All My Heart (film 'Her Master's Voice'); Bird On The Wing (Gross); Moon For Sale (Henderson and Rosen)... with Orchestra.

8.40 Concert Waltzes. Rosenkavalier Waltzes (R. Strauss)... Bruno Walter conducting the Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra; The Last Waltz (Oscar Strauss); Donauwallerz, Waltz (Ivanovic)... Edith Lorand Orchestra; North Sea Waves—Waltz (Kranlig)... Orchestra Mascotte.

9.0 London Relay—Increased Facilities.

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9.20 Songs by Richard Crooks (Tenor).

One Alone ('The Desert Song'—Romberg); When You're Away ('The Only Girl'—Herbert); You will Remember Vienna (film 'Viennese Nights'—Hammerstein and Brown)... with Orchestra.

9.50 London Relay—The News.

9.50 Dance Music. Fox-Trot—Shall We Dance (from the film); Slap That Bass (from 'Shall We Dance')... Harry Roy and His Orchestra with vocal refrain; Tango—Siempre Unidos... Orquesta Tipica Francisco Canaro with vocal refrain.

10.0 London Relay—Ups And Downs. A radio plaything written by W. Farquharson Small and based upon Frank Stockton's short story 'A Tale of Negative Gravity' Production by W. Farquharson Small.

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AMBULANCE BRIGADE

New Centres Being Set Up In Chinese Territory

In a letter to the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, Hon. Secretary of the local branch of the British Fund for Relief of Distress in China, Professor W. I. Gerrard on December 7 appealed, as Assistant Commissioner of the St. John Ambulance Brigade in Hongkong, for funds to help in covering the heavy outlay upon relief work in the New Territories. The St. John clinics on the mainland are dealing with huge numbers of refugees and the Medical Department of the Hongkong Government has requested all possible assistance. At the suggestion of the Hon. Mr. Lo, the St. John Brigade is in charge of the Ellis Bungalow at Fanling, which has been equipped out of the Brigade

funds as a maternity hospital for refugees. A full time medical officer, Dr. Makar, of New Zealand who is on his way back from work in Central China to New Zealand, is in charge of this hospital. Dr. Makar is giving his services but requires all available assistance in the form of supplies and nursing staff. In addition to Dr. Makar there are four nursing staff who need some small remuneration and food supplies. New treatment centres are being established at the request of the Government Medical Department at Namtai, Shantok and Shumchun. These are in Chinese territory. The Shumchun centre is to have accommodation for 60 beds. This would be the largest of the three treatment areas, the staffing of which St. John Ambulance Headquarters in Hongkong had been asked by the Government Medical Department to provide. Professor Gerrard pointed out. The Staff includes an experienced surgeon and 10 nurses. This entails ample financial provision. Special

Vaccination centres in charge of St. John Ambulance Brigade have been instituted at San Tin, Ha Chuen, Heung Un and Lan Fau San.

Kam Tin Maternity Centre

In the Kam Tin Maternity Centre, 32 cases as in-patients were recently being treated.

Extra beds and bedding were purchased out of Brigade funds. Extra expense was being incurred in transporting the excess of maternity cases from Kam Tin centre to either Ellis Bungalow Hospital at Fanling or the maternity centre at Tsuen Wan, the latter also filled beyond capacity.

Since the commencement of the refugee relief measures by the St. John Ambulance Brigade and Association, an excess expenditure of H.K.\$4,000 per month has been incurred.

Professor Gerrard therefore made an urgent plea for a sum of H.K.\$10,000 towards the Brigade's funds. On December 15, the Hon. Mr. Lo sent a cheque for \$10,000, granted from the Fund.

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POPE GIVES AUDIENCES

Rome, Dec. 17. Pope Pius XI received several ecclesiastical dignitaries in private audience yesterday.—Trans-Ocean.



Funeral service held in Paris for Ernst vom Rath, German diplomat fatally wounded by Herschel Grynszpan, 17-year-old Polish Jew. Scene is in the German Lutheran church, with Baron Ernst von Weissacker, German Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, delivering the sermon. The body later was taken to Dusseldorf, Germany, for burial.

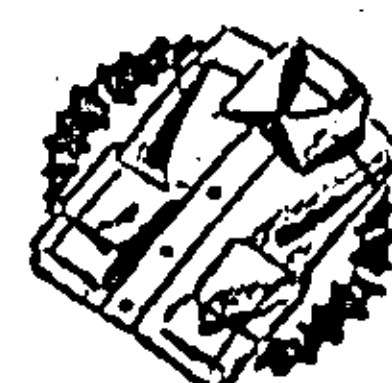
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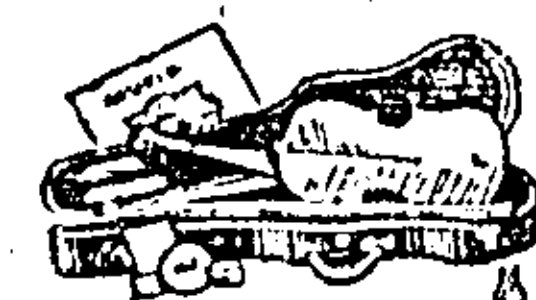
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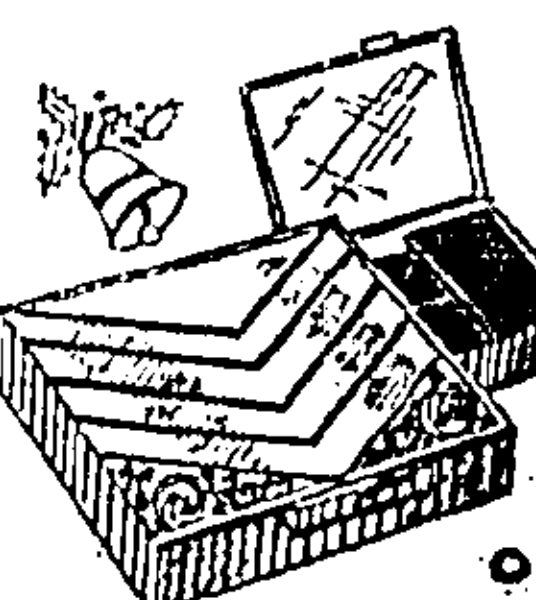


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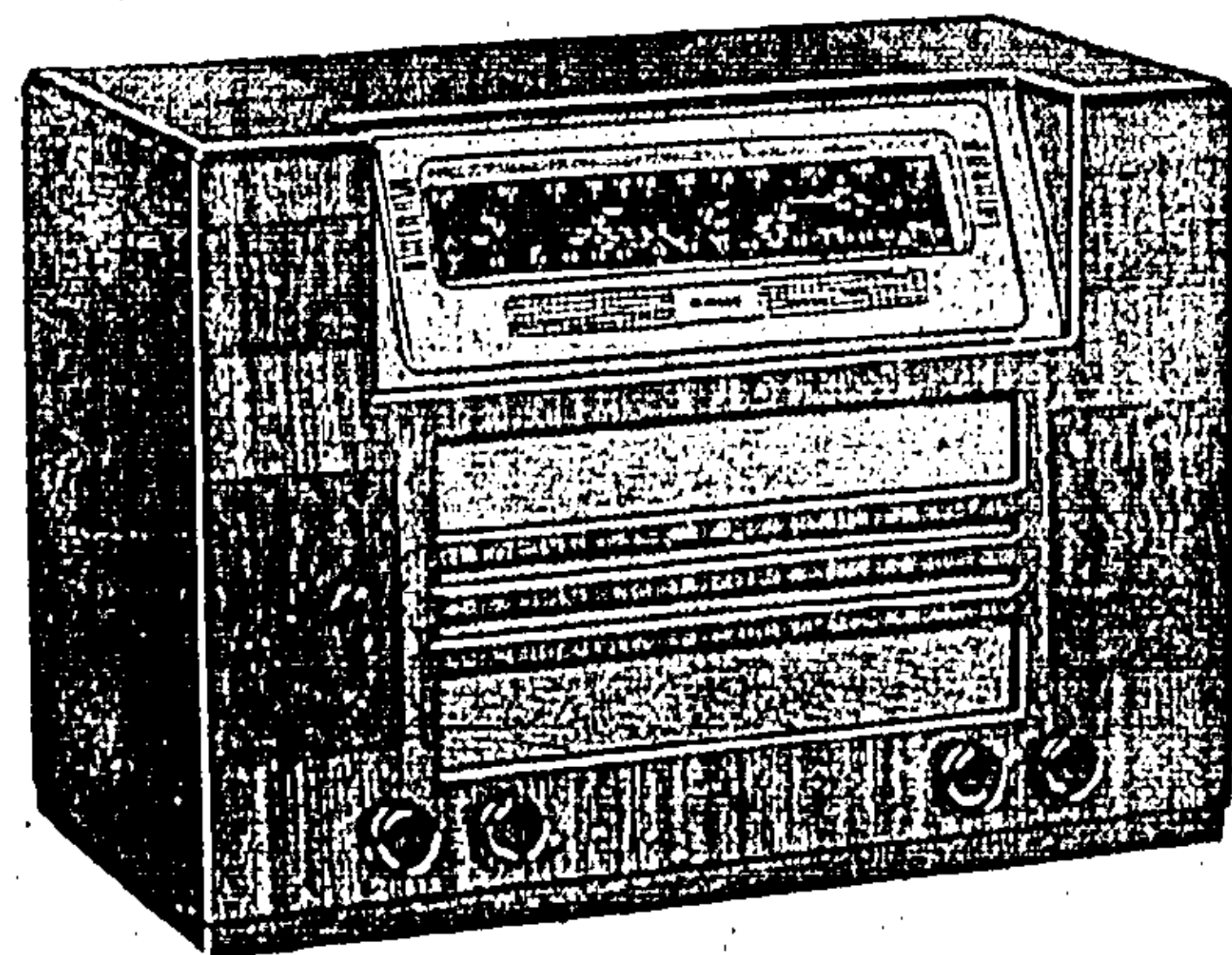
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REFUGEE RELIEF Post At Shumchun And Shataukok

As from Saturday, the Casino at Shumchun has been made available to refugees for medical service and general relief assistance under the guidance of the Emergency Refugee Council and the St. John Ambulance Association.

A start was made with transporting those Chinese willing to leave the New Territories for Shumchun yesterday when the railway authorities gave assistance with an engine and two trucks. The engine made several trips from Sheung Shui to Shumchun and took over one hundred refugees and their meagre belongings who are establishing themselves in the Casino and adjacent buildings.

The relief centre was established at the Casino early in the day. The Wai Young Association of Hongkong had previously established soup kitchens in Chinese Territory at Shataukok, so that there is now every inducement for the thousands of refugees encamped in the grass huts or in the open at Sheung Shui, San Tin and Mai Po, to return to the villages where these lie in the non-occupied zone.

The discovery of a number of cases of Cerebro Spinal Meningitis, Small-pox and Measles among the refugees is a potent reason why the return to Chinese territory is desired by the authorities. Lack of water and of adequate sanitary arrangements call for unremitting vigilance by the medical authorities to prevent these diseases attaining epidemic proportions.

The three camps at Fanling and the one at Kam Tin are still functioning, with but slightly decreased numbers, and the Joseph Memorial Hall is still in use as a hospital. At the Casino, a small observation ward and first aid facilities are available and a strong effort will be made to persuade the refugees that it is quite safe for them to return to their homes in this area.

Labour Shortage
In this connection, the work of the Wai Young Association has been particularly commended. This Association has been investigating each village in the Wai Young area and, if it is safe, has personally assured the Wai Young people that they should return. A good margin is left between safe and suspect territory and the refugees are assisted with passage money if necessary. A large number of the refugees from this district are middle school or university people and they are engaged in the Association's night while for the coolie class refugees there is the inducement of a strong labour demand in the Wai Young district.

Arrangements have been made with the Tai Ping Shipping Company by which the Company ferries passengers across Mrs. Bay to Sha Yu Chung twice a day at a fee reduced from 70 cents to 35 cents, which is often paid by the Association in the cases of destitute Chinese.

The position is not quite so happy in Po On district where, despite repeated assurances that the area is devoid of Japanese, the evacuated countryfolk, numbering more than 2,000, are afraid to return from the New Territories. Most of those who do go back merely collect personal effects and return by ferry to Un Long. A few days ago, a small accidental fire started and there was immediately a panic-stricken cry that the Japanese were responsible. The Emergency Refugee Council has plans for establishing a refugee camp at She Hau in Po On to look after returning refugees, and a responsible person will be dispatched here as soon as the association responsible for the natives of this area can induce them to return. It is further hoped to start a similar base opposite Lokmachau.

It has been suggested that the authorities should patrol Deep Bay at this time because of the growing fear of robber pirate in these waters.

INSTRUCTING REFUGEES

Local Women's Associations Start Career Teaching

The destinies of the several hundreds of better educated Chinese who have now been in Hongkong as refugees for over a year, and seem to be permanently domiciled here, has been taken in hand by the Hongkong Chinese Women's Club and the Women's Christian Temperance Union of China, local branch.

A scheme costing about \$10,000 a year is being put into operation whereby genuine refugees who cannot return to their native villages in

Children's Sports

Santa Claus Visits The Bowling Green Club

A most enjoyable afternoon was spent on Saturday when the Kowloon Bowling Green Club held their eighth annual children's sports.

By kind permission of Captain E. J. P. Brind and Officers of H.M.S. Birmingham, the Marine Band rendered selections, a special race was arranged for members of the band. At 6 o'clock the blare of sleigh bells heralded the approach of Santa Claus, and when he came down the "chimney" he was greeted with gasps of awe from the children.

Mrs. J. D. Thomson distributed the prizes to the following winners:

Football Race for Boys (8 to 14 years)—1. D. White; 2. A. Macfarlane. Skipping Race for Girls (6 to 14 years)—1. J. Shugart; 2. M. White and F. McKelvie (dead heat). Flat Race for Boys (4 to 7 years)—1. K. Armstrong; 2. R. Boyce. Flat Race for Girls (4 to 7 years)—1. E. Sherriff; 2. Anne Jeffries and J. Cave (dead heat). Boat Race for Boys (all ages)—1. V. Lockhart; 2. J. Sanders. Egg and Spoon Race for Girls (8 to 14 years)—1. F. McKelvie; 2. J. Logan. Wee Toss Race (children under 4 years)—1. M. Sherriff; 2. M. Morton. Flat Race for Boys (8 to 14 years)—1. J. Anderson; 2. S. Clark. Competition for Members of the Band—1. D. Usher; 2. D. Doherty. Sack Race for Boys (8 to 14 years)—1. D. Garton; 2. M. Anderson and J. Lancaster (dead heat). Musical Chairs for Girls (all ages)—1. K. Hyde-Lay; 2. J. Thompson; 3. J. Cave. Three-legged Race for Boys (all ages)—1. G. Clarke and J. Boyce; 2. V. Lockhart and J. Lancaster. Flat Race for Girls (8 to 14 years)—1. M. Campbell; 2. M. White. Egg and Spoon Race for Ladies—1. Mrs. A. Atkins; 2. Mrs. A. Norton.

China and who have been more or less stranded in the Colony since the early part of the hostilities will be trained to some useful avocation in workshops and lecture rooms. The first workshop has been opened for women refugees at No. 5-7, Des Voeux Road West.

"As the social and relief problems have now become so acute, and the constant appeals for relief more frequent, the need for a centre of this kind is most urgent," states the Committee. "Our objects are to relieve unemployment for refugees, to instill the spirit of independence and citizenship, to work and give active service in all manner of trades and art."

Compulsory Attendance
The executive Committee is represented by Mrs. Li Fong (Chairman), Mrs. Herman Liu (Secretary), Mrs. Li Shu-pui (Treasurer).

The organisation is divided into four sections—Planning Committee which will attend to the technical production and personnel; Business Committee for sales and business; Finance Committee to raise funds for production; Education Committee to educate all workers.

It will be compulsory for all workers to attend classes for two hours a day to gain knowledge in civic education, industrial knowledge in theory and practice, international relationships, public health, life problems, care of children, etc. Applicants must be actual refugees from war areas between the ages of 16 and 50. Each one is required to work eight hours per day, and attend two hours at night lectures. Each worker will be allowed \$5 per month living expenses, and after two months' apprenticeship every person will be given a certain percentage on the sales of her (or his) handwork.

The estimated budget would be \$10,000 per year. At the end of fiscal year any proceeds exceeding \$10,000 will be divided 40% for the expansion of work for the following year, 20% to the staff, 40% to be equally distributed among the workers.

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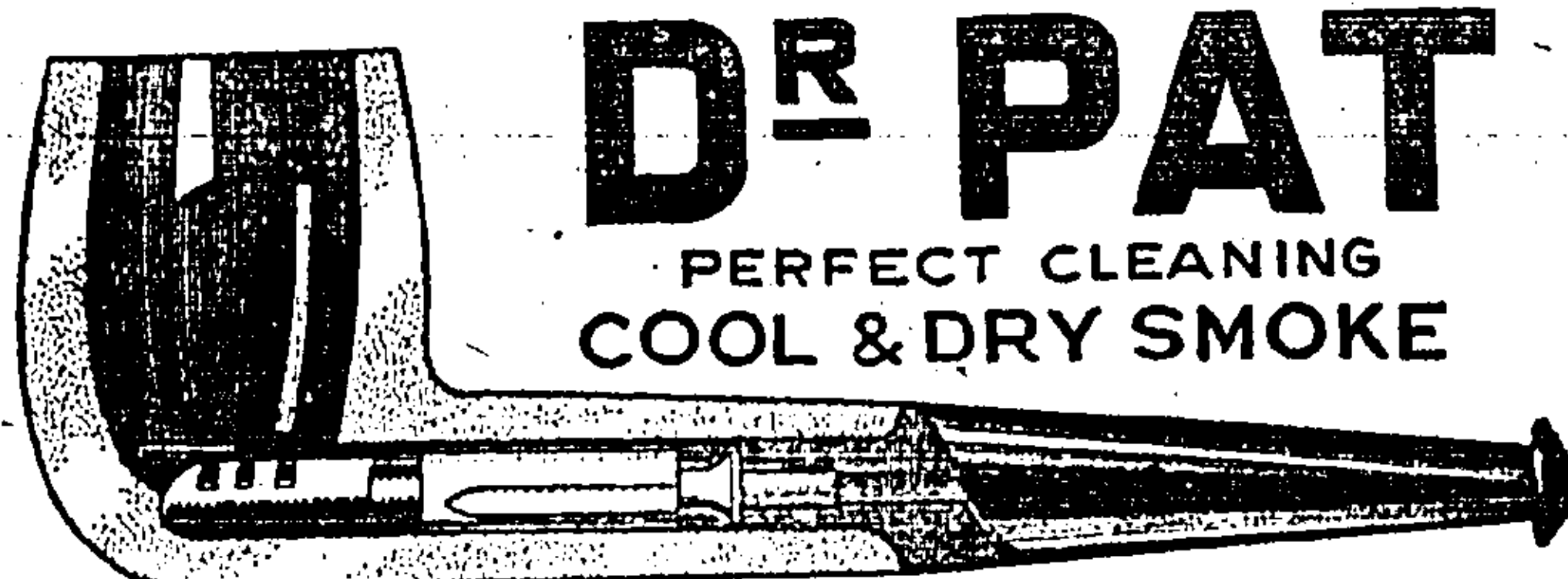
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DEATHS

ISBISTER.—On December 17, 1938, at the Queen Mary Hospital, John Duncan Isbister, aged 67 years, late chief engineer of S.S. Kong So, native of Greenock, Scotland (Shanghai and Singapore papers please copy).

WHITE.—On December 18, at Kowloon Hospital, James Sinclair White, aged 64, late Marine Engineer of S.S. Folk On.

On December 19, at Kowloon Hospital, Dorothy White, aged 57 years, beloved wife of James Sinclair White.

Funeral Services at Colonial Cemetery Chapel, Monday, December 19, at 3.15 p.m. (San Francisco, Shanghai and Canton, newspapers please copy).

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Street Sellers

WHILE COMMENDING the worthiness of the causes, we cannot refrain from voicing what we believe is widespread exasperation at the methods employed by street collectors for certain charities.

Hundreds of children, many of whom should have been at school, descended on the streets on Saturday to sell roses on behalf of a charitable organisation which, presumably, obtained sanction for the collection from the Commissioner of Police.

We hasten to state, by way of parenthesis, that there is no question whatever regarding the bona fides of any collection previously authorised by the Police.

The methods employed, however, are becoming so menacing that some system of control is not only necessary but imperative.

Few Europeans, especially at this time of the year, refuse to support legitimate collections for charity, and Hongkong can justly say that it meets the many demands made upon its citizens with liberality and good grace.

Good grace was noticeably absent on Saturday, when each European, as he or she stepped from ferry, bus, tram, rickshaw or car, or walked from shop to street, was surrounded by ten or twenty screaming and importuning children, some of whose antics suggested that they had learned their lessons in good manners from the beggar children of Wanchai or West Point.

There is a distinction between an appeal and begging. On some occasions, during recent charity drives, that distinction appears to have been overlooked.

We would suggest, that strict control should be exercised by the Police Department in granting permission to organisations to launch street collections. Either school-children should be prohibited altogether from being used as collectors, or the number of collectors should be limited.

AFRICAN ABC

A GERMAN ENVOY arrived in London yesterday. He is there to talk about Colonies. When Germany discusses colonies she means, first of all, the continent of Africa. That is a part of the world about which we in Hongkong are going to read plenty in our newspapers in 1939.

This article tells you who owns Africa and what its owners got out of it.

Africa has an area of 11½ million square miles. It is owned—except the exception of Egypt, Liberia, and the Union of South Africa—by six Powers, whose total area is 800,000 square miles, seventeen and a half times smaller than Africa.

The six Powers are Britain, France, Spain, Italy, Portugal and Belgium. The two Powers richest in African possessions are Britain and France.

France has 4½ million square miles of African territory—37 per cent. of the total continent. Her colonial subjects there number 30 millions.

BRITAIN'S territory extends over 2,602,700 square miles—less than France, but her native subjects number nearly 62 millions.

British Africa, including areas held under League of Nations mandate, consists of Nigeria and the West Coast colonies; Uganda, Kenya, Tanganyika, Nyassaland in the east; the self-governing dominion of the Union of South Africa (with its mandated Rhodesias); and the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan.

British African colonies produce 42 per cent. of the palm oil, nearly 50 per cent. of the cocoa, and 12 per cent. of the copper in the world.

French African colonies produce 41 per cent. of the phosphates and 13 per cent. of the ground-nuts (for edible oil) in the world.

Belgian Africa, 940,010 square miles in area (eighty-five times larger than Belgium herself), produces eight per cent. of the world's copper.

IN 1936 Kenya, with two battalions of the King's African Rifles permanently stationed there to defend order, exported \$1 million pounds' worth of maize, coffee, sugar, tea, tin ore, cotton and cottonseed (for cultivation), hides and skins, ivory, tow and wool.

Of this colony's 7 million pounds' worth of imports 60 per cent. were purchased from Britain and her possessions.

Exports from the Gold Coast totalled 12½ million pounds, and imports (of which 7½ million pounds' worth came from Britain) 11½ million pounds.

Exports from the Rhodesias totalled 11½ million pounds. Imports totalled 9½ millions, and half of them came from Britain.

The total exports of British Africa in 1937 were worth 22 million pounds. Imports totalled 145 million pounds.

An approximate yearly total of exports from French Africa is 55 million pounds' worth, with imports totalling the same.

Belgian African trade amounts to roughly four million pounds in exports and imports of seven million pounds.

Italian exports and imports were two millions and sixteen millions respectively. Portuguese exports totalled four million pounds' worth and imports three million pounds' worth.

The German Colonial possessions

in Africa handed over at Versailles to the conquering Powers were Togoland and the Cameroons, divided between Britain and France; German East Africa (now Tanganyika) given to Britain, apart from a small piece which fell to Belgium's lot; and German S.W. Africa, which went to the Union of South Africa.

THESE German colonies had a total area of about a million square miles and their total native population was between eleven and twelve millions.

Of the total of 208 million pounds' worth of exports from all Africa in 1936 only 12 millions were contributed by the ex-German colonies.

Incidentally, the share of the entire African continent in world production is relatively small.

Africa supplies only 3.7 per cent. of the world's raw materials. In 1936 her contribution to world trade was 0.7 of the total—compared with Europe's 51.7 per cent.

The most useful thing to do now is to quote from an admirably informative two-shilling pamphlet, "Germany's Claim to Colonies," issued by the Royal Institute of International Affairs.

"Judged by their share in world production," says this pamphlet, "the ex-German colonies are at present relatively unimportant sources of raw materials."

THE only two materials of which they provide a large part of the world supply are sisal-hemp (Tanganyika) and vanadium—used for the manufacture of steel (South West Africa).

They also produce about five per cent. of the world's phosphates, palm-oil (chiefly British Cameroons), copra—coconut kernels producing oil for soap, margarine, and candles (chiefly New Guinea), and cocoa (French Cameroons and British and French Togo).

The point in which Germany is interested, however, is the relation of these territories' resources, not to world production, but to her own requirements.

The mandated ex-German territories could (according to figures taken from a German source) supply Germany with more than sufficient sisal, with nearly enough phosphates, and with about one-third of the cocoa, one-quarter of the bananas, and one-seventh of the vegetable oils which she ordinarily requires; while the gold from New Guinea and Tanganyika and the diamonds from S.W. Africa would also be useful.

Dr. Goebbels has declared that "the basic materials of modern industrialism are coal, iron, oil, cotton, rubber and copper." Not in one of these six materials could Germany's requirements be at present met to any serious extent by the Mandated territories.

The total exports of the ex-German colonies in 1936, it is pointed out, amounted to less than one per cent. of Germany's imports.

One other point may be worth mentioning in view of Hitler's claims. The budgets of all these territories—except one, the smallest—when they were German possessions showed a steady deficit year by year.

Bible Of 1600 Stolen

Covington, Ky.
Mrs. George Kyrland, returning from a four-month vacation, reported to police that \$1,000 worth of valuables had been stolen including a 300-year-old German hymnal and Bible.

Art Director Decorated

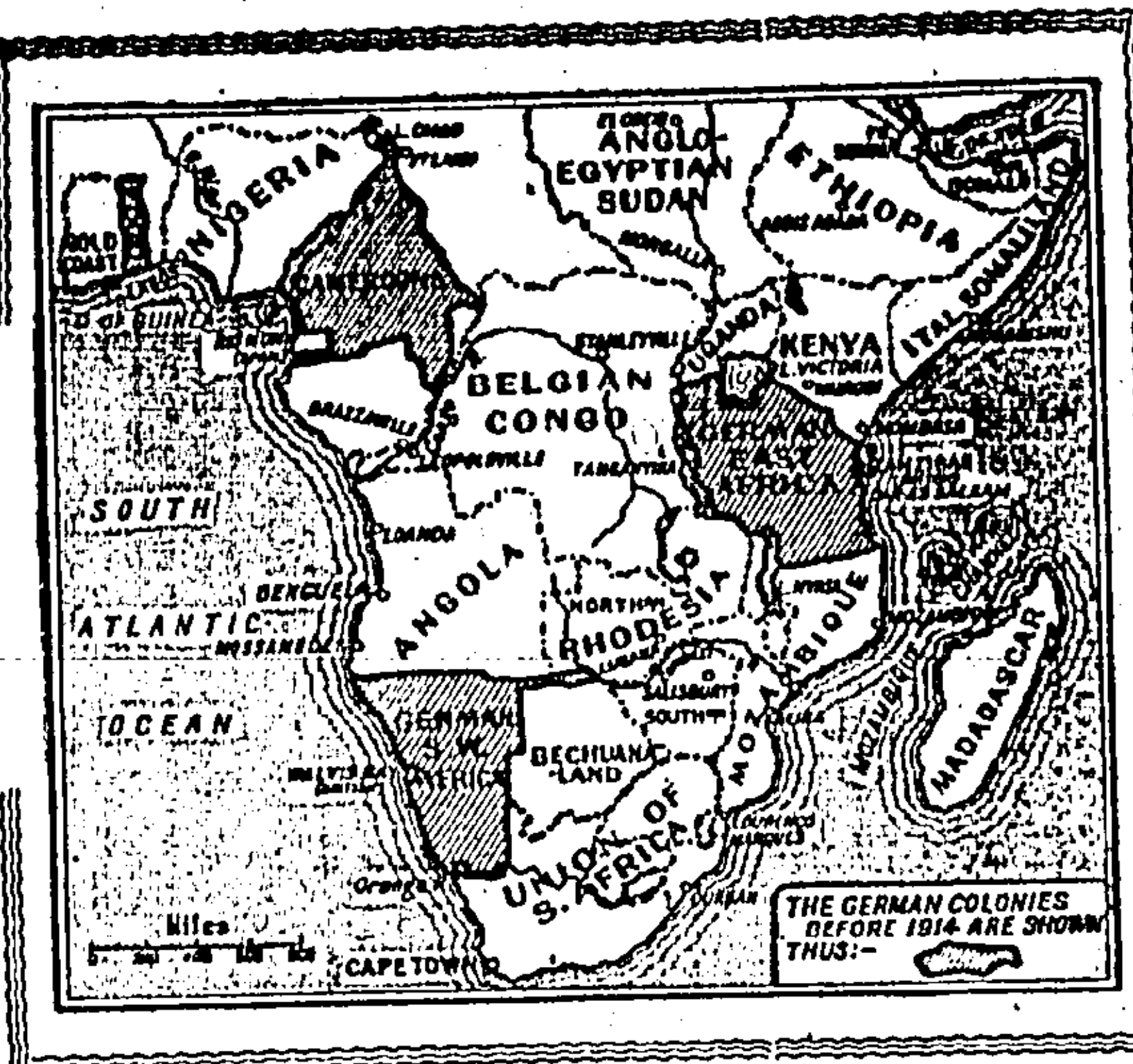
Cleveland, O.
Sweden, Hungary and Italy have awarded decorations to William M. Milliken, the Cleveland Museum art director, for his services to the arts of the three nations.

GRIN AND BEAR IT

By Lichty



"YOU complain of a hard day at the office? Why, my work has just begun!"



Looking Into The Future

PROPHECY, or the revelation through supernatural inspiration of events to come, has always been a subject with a universal appeal. The possibility that one through the perusal of some ancient text may gain a concrete knowledge of what may be expected to happen is too intriguing to be resisted. Consequently, almost every nation may be said to have its quota of allegedly divinely inspired prophetic works, and these exert tremendous influence wherever they are studied.

For instance there are some couplets which are interpreted as directly referring to the present conflict, but as the same verses were interpreted some eighty or more years ago to refer to the presence of the English in the Middle Kingdom, it is difficult to place much credence in the present interpretation.

THE Chinese, however, like many superstitious Westerners are accustomed to search through all their prophetic books in order to explain the trend of the times. Consequently, the present national calamity has been thought to have been fore-

By
**T. Paul
GREGORY**

THE Chinese, even more perhaps than the ancient Hebrew people, take interest in the prediction of future events, and therefore prophecies of any description have always received the widest circulation. Every word of a forecast of things to come is seized upon with the greatest alacrity, and if any portion of it turns out to be even partially true, it at once becomes sacred in the eyes of the masses of the people.

One of the most famous prophetic books of the Chinese is a little volume known as the "T'ai-pooi-to," or "Chart of Opposing Backs," which is said to have been composed by two celebrated individuals, Yuen T'in-kong and Lei Shun-fung, who lived during the fifth century A.D.

These two men were reputed to be deeply versed in the secrets of nature which the Chinese call the "Ng-hang Yam-yeung chi Lei," or the "Reasons of the Five Elements and the Masculine and Feminine Principles." It is in reality a Chinese theory of the future course of history, and is based upon the hypothesis that every three hundred years, more or less, "a small rebellion is to be expected, and every five hundred years, more or less, a great rebellion." After the latter has subsided, a new government emerges out of the chaos, and the work of tranquillising the country begins.

It is to be expected that the Chinese believe that there are references in this little book to the present crisis, and it is popularly regarded in much the same light as the Apocalypse of St.

told five hundred years ago, and by no less a prophet than Lau Pak-wan, a famous worthy of the Yuan or Mongol Dynasty. This individual is credited with being a seer as gifted as the prophet Daniel, and it is interesting to quote the following from a vernacular newspaper relating to the recent discovery of a remarkable prophecy in Siu Hing in Chekiang province:

"On the 24th November, workmen excavating near the base of the Sin Yin Bridge at Lo Fung unearthed a remarkable stone about 2½ feet in length and 1½ feet in breadth upon which were graven the words: 'Wooi-t'in-pei, or 'The Tablet that responds to Heaven.' Further investigation disclosed that the stone bore a prophetic inscription signed by Lau Pak-wan. The inscription was as follows:

'Hei ts'at-ts'at. Tsung ts'at-ts'at. K'ei-Ning-Yuet-Hon. Om mo t'in yat. Yan Woo Sham-yap. Yat kwoo ts'im-mit. Ng Yuet ying kit. No-lik! No-lik!'

'(The war) shall begin with a double seven, and it shall end with a double seven. Upon Chihli, Nanking, Kwangtung and Hankow shall come such darkness as when the sun is obliterated from the heavens. Lure the Huns (i.e. the Japanese) to the heart of the country. Sound the drums and destroy them utterly! Ye heroes of the Kiangs and Kwangs exert all your energy! Comment, of course, is superfluous; for, the appearance of such prophetic inscriptions is of such prophetic importance as of

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JUDGMENT FOR H.K. JOCKEY CLUB

Jury Assesses One-Cent Damage If Appeal Is Successful

Judge's Ruling In Libel Action

TWO LEGAL RULINGS BY MR. JUSTICE LINDSELL ENDED THE ACTION FOR LIBEL BROUGHT BY MR. T. H. G. BRAYFIELD, WELL-KNOWN TAIWAN PONY OWNER, AGAINST THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB IN FAVOUR OF THE DEFENDANTS.

Judgment was entered for the Jockey Club, with costs.

Mr. Justice Lindsell held that the posting of Mr. Brayfield's name at the Jockey Club was a privileged occasion and found that there was not sufficient evidence of malice to go to the jury.

On the assumption that his Honour's findings may be attacked in the Appeal Court, the Jury was asked to find whether the plaintiff did or did not incur the liability.

After a retirement of half-an-hour, they found that plaintiff did not owe the money, and awarded him damages of one cent.

Mr. Brayfield claimed unlimited damages from the Hongkong Jockey Club for posting him as a defaulter in respect of a sum of \$9.10 due for excess fodder consumed by his ponies Shipmaster and Salvage Master—which he disputed. The defendants claimed justification.

The Special Jury comprised Messrs. J. Fleming (Foreman), R. M. McLeay, C. Champkin, T. B. Wilson, Lo Yuk-tong, I. H. Geare and L. Dunbar. Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., and Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., instructed by Mr. G. N. Tinson, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, appeared for the Jockey Club. Mr. H. C. Macnamara, instructed by Mr. G. S. Hugh-Jones, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, represented Mr. Brayfield.

Mr. Potter said his submission would be that the alleged libel was published on a privileged occasion and that there was no evidence of malice.

It was difficult, he said, to see how it could be argued that this occasion was not privileged, but he would even go so far as to say that apart from Article 79 altogether, the Club was entitled to take action against a member whose account had not been paid.

According to Article 83, any question as to the interpretation of the foregoing articles of the Association had to be referred to the Stewards, whose decision shall be final. As they had agreed that this case fell within Article 79, the matter, he submitted, must end there.

In this respect, it was not for the Court to say whether their decision was right or wrong, but even assuming that it was a matter for the Court, the action of the Stewards was privileged because Article 78 of the Association laid down that any member whose account had not been paid at the end of the month, after due notice, shall be posted in the Club-house as a defaulter and shall, ipso facto, cease to be a member if, at the expiration of one week, the account still remained unpaid, unless the Stewards saw fit to order otherwise.

It had been suggested, went on Counsel, that Article 79 did not apply to this case because the account was disputed.

There was nothing, he submitted, in the Article to induce one to take such a view, and the only question was whether the account had been paid or not.

The Club could only be faced with the possibility of libel when the Stewards had posted a member and later found that he had been wrongly posted.

Another remedy for the member

to take, in such circumstances, was to take action in the Summary Court and recover the money.

COULD SELL MEMBER'S GEAR

Continuing, Counsel submitted that the account was unpaid, but why it was unpaid did not alter in the slightest degree the construction of Article 79, the whole object of which was that members might be posted. It had been laid down in the Club bye-laws that the Club might sell Mr. Brayfield's gear, and if that could be done then why in the world could not the Stewards post him up? The reason why the account was unpaid did not matter at all under that Article.

Mr. Macnamara interrupted and said that his point was that as the account was disputed it was no longer unpaid.

Mr. Potter replied that there was no question of dispute so long as the Stewards were satisfied that the account had in fact not been paid. The Club's articles should not be construed in the way in which the Stewards were subservient to the members, and it was impossible to say that the Stewards could not take action under Article 79, no matter how unreasonable a member might be.

Mr. Potter then went on to submit that even assuming that Article 79 did not exist, the action taken by the Stewards was privileged, and quoted a number of cases on qualified privilege to support his contention.

The Stewards, he said, had a duty to perform in the interests of members and they were entitled to post a name up, as members had the right to know whether any account had been paid or not.

There could be no argument on the language of the Article because the duty was imposed on the Stewards.

DOES NOT MATTER

His Lordship: Does it not make any difference when they regard their duty with elasticity? We know as a fact that they did not post every outstanding account automatically.

Mr. Potter: It does not matter, as the sole question is whether or not the Stewards had the power to do it. If you could prove malice of a rule of this kind, then you may argue on malice, but it does not remove privilege in any shape or form. I submit the privileged occasion exists. It is the duty and only alternative of the Stewards and I don't care if their decision was right or wrong. Their duty to do this thing is imposed on them by Article 79.

Mr. Macnamara, dealing with the question of privilege said it was quite true that the Stewards thought they had power under Article 79 to post the plaintiff, but the question as to whether there was any other course of action open to them was never discussed at all.

The Stewards' power of interpretation of the Articles, however, would only apply in cases where a dispute arose and their interpretation was called upon.

A reasonable interpretation of the



MR. T. H. G. BRAYFIELD

Article would be that if there was a person owing money to the Club and no explanation of why he did not pay was forthcoming, then he was a defaulter.

If, however, there was an explanation he it good or bad—and that was for the Court to decide to-day—then the Stewards' action was outside the interpretation of the Article because they were trespassing on the jurisdiction of a Court of law in deciding themselves whether a man was defaulter or not.

JUDGES OF OWN CASE

In fact, they were acting as judges of their own case.

That the Stewards acted in good faith did not make the occasion privileged; the only point was whether they were acting under Article 79. The plaintiff's case was that they were not and in that event there could be no question of privilege. With definite evidence that the plaintiff disputed the account, he could not be branded as a defaulter under that Article.

His Lordship: The Stewards have the authority to interpret the Articles; does it not follow that they are the ultimate authority for interpreting what is an unpaid account or not?

Mr. Macnamara: In my submission, no. That is taking the jurisdiction of the Court away.

His Lordship ruled that the occasion was privileged.

QUESTION OF MALICE

Mr. Potter then argued on the question of malice. He said: I have to submit that there is question of malice and Your Lordship has to rule on this, eye or nay. But there is a simple way out of this impasse in order to let the case go to the jury as my friend, and myself, wish it to go. Your Lordship can give your ruling now and if you say that there is no malice, there would be judgment and costs for defendants; but assuming the case might go to the Appeal Court, Your Lordship could let the case go to the jury for their decision on the fact of the \$9.10 and furthermore, if they decided it was not due, how much damages they would give.

Mr. Macnamara: That is quite fair. We want the case to go before the jury and Your Lordship's ruling on malice can be attacked in the Appeal Court if necessary.

NOT SUFFICIENT EVIDENCE

Mr. Potter, proceeding with his argument, said there was not a scintilla of evidence of malice and, if there were, it would not be sufficient for this case, since the Appeal Court demanded reasonable evidence and not a scintilla only. What evidence there was, was not available to plaintiffs because it was all on the defendants' side.

In using their powers, the Stewards merely went so far as to say that Mr. Brayfield would be dealt with under Article 79.

There was no suggestion from the cross-examination of Mr. Pearce of impropriety in the Stewards' conduct, or that there was ill will against Mr. Brayfield.

Mr. Pearce, on the other hand, said it was only after the most careful inquiry and full consideration that the Stewards, unanimously, decided to post the name.

It was never suggested that the Stewards did not believe that the

money was due and the presumption, in law, must be that they believed it.

The onus to disprove this was on the plaintiff and it could be said here that the Stewards went for their information to the trainer, the proper source even in the opinion of the plaintiff. Once the occasion was ruled to be privileged, then the onus was entirely on the plaintiff.

SLUR ON MAN'S CHARACTER

Mr. Macnamara said the anxiety of the Stewards to recover the sum of \$9.10 made them overlook the slur on a man's character which was cast by posting his name as a defaulter. A defaulter was a dishonest man and they knew Mr. Brayfield was not a dishonest man.

The indirect motive which afforded the malice in this case was that the Stewards not only intended to affix this libel on Mr. Brayfield by posting him but they intended also to force him out of the Club if he did not pay—regardless of whether he owed the money or not. Mr. Pearce had said that so far as he knew, plaintiff was acting honestly in disputing the claim.

There was in the Stewards' action, Counsel submitted, sufficient evidence of a gross, unreasoning prejudice for the jury to say that they had abused a privileged occasion.

Counsel quoted a letter from Mr. M. T. Johnson, then Chairman of the Stewards, in which he said "We cannot undertake to refer to each owner whose pony draws a pound or two of extra forage." That showed a state of mind, he submitted.

Counsel also quoted from another Steward (revealed by Mr. Potter later to be Sir Vandeleur Grayburn) "I see no reason why the charge should not be paid and less reason for Mr. Brayfield to worry us in this stupid manner. If he does not pay, he should be turned out of the Club."

SUGGESTION RESENTED

Mr. Potter, replying, said that this new question of improper motive on the part of the Stewards was never put to Mr. Pearce. He resented the suggestion.

His Lordship: I thought it was put to him.

Mr. Macnamara: It has been our case all along.

Mr. Potter: Well, you should put it to the witnesses. I put it to Your Lordship that such a thought never crossed your mind after hearing the cross-examination of Mr. Pearce.

Counsel then referred to the Stewards' letters, mentioning Sir Vandeleur Grayburn as the author of the last one and saying that Sir Vandeleur was merely giving his reason "a very cogent reason," as to what he thought should happen. As a matter of fact, a non-payer's resignation from the club was automatic according to the Articles.

His Lordship: It is agreed that if I hold that there is not sufficient evidence of malice to go to the jury, it will still go to the jury?

Mr. Potter: No, my Lord. The point as to whether the \$9.10 is owing or not goes to the jury. If it is owing, the case could be no libel at all.

His Lordship: I hold there is not sufficient evidence of malice to go to the jury.

WAS MONEY OWING?

Mr. Potter, in his address to the jury, said that even assuming that the notice was a libel, the publication of it was a privileged occasion and was without malice.

Therefore judgment for the defendants must be given. However, in order to save confusion should the case be brought to the Appeal Court,

it was desirable for the jury to decide whether or not the money was in fact owing.

Referring to the question of damages should the jury find there was libel, Counsel said that no sane man in the Court believed for a moment that, as a result of this unhappy dispute, Mr. Brayfield had suffered any defamation to his character or reputation.

It was generally known that Mr. Brayfield was a great authority on salvage and was still held in high esteem in insurance circles.

CONGRATULATED ON WIN

He was, in fact, congratulated everywhere on his win last Saturday, had remained a member of the Club, and had attended every race meeting. In short, he had not even suffered five-cent damages.

The truth was that he had chosen this way of bringing his grievance to the Court instead of adopting another and easier way, with much less expenses.

Mr. Macnamara had stated that Mr. Brayfield should have been sued, but, in his submission, what was sauce for the goose was sauce for the gander, for Mr. Brayfield could have done the same.

When asked to pay the \$9.10, Mr. Brayfield could have paid under protest, and then brought an action in the Summary Court for the return of the money.

PUBLICITY FOR CASE

Continuing, Counsel said the jury were not asked to give damages for the publicity, which had attached to plaintiff after the publication of the notice.

Everyone in the Colony, admittedly, now knew about it, but that was not as a result of the publication of the notice but in consequence of the issue of the writ.

If Mr. Brayfield had paid the money, Counsel did not suppose many people would have known of the notice.

Dealing with the evidence, Counsel contended that Mr. Brayfield's action in checking and measuring the conifers on Thursday and Friday last week was for no other reason than to find out whether he had value for his money or not.

According to the system, Mr. Brayfield had only to pay \$40 a month, for which he got 13 lbs. of free fodder, and any excess was to be charged to him.

Evidence had been given by Tau-ka-po, Mr. Brayfield's trainer, that the excess fodder was for his two trainers, and this, Counsel contended, was nothing but the truth. Tau had further stated that he had spoken to Mr. Brayfield about excess fodder on two occasions, and therefore he must have known of it.

After asking the jury to believe Tau's evidence, Mr. Potter concluded by submitting that they should find as a fact that the \$9.10 was due by Mr. Brayfield.

SHIFTED HIS GROUND

Mr. Macnamara submitted that Tau could not be believed in view of the way he shifted his ground on many points whilst under cross-examination. Mr. Brayfield could not have been in the Colony on February 5 or 6 when Tau said he spoke to him about excess fodder, as the days were Saturday and Sunday, when Mr. Brayfield was generally at Castle Peak.

As regards the other occasion on February 28 when Mr. Brayfield was alleged to have said, "Jockey Club (Continued on Page 4.)"

NAVAL RACE IN EAST

Soviet, Japan Fight for Supremacy

LONDON, Dec. 18. JAPAN AND SOVIET Russia are engaged in a secret battleship-building race, according to 1939 "Jane's Fighting Ships," the world's most authoritative naval handbook.

It is declared that the Japanese are leading with four projected "super" battleships, exceeding 40,000 tons, two of which are reported to have been laid down in 1938.

The handbook says that nations all over the world are undergoing the biggest naval race since 1919, with at least 25 battleships under construction, or authorised.

The book says that Soviet Russia claims to have the most formidable submarine fleet, of which more than half is stationed at Vladivostok, within easy striking distance of Japanese waters.

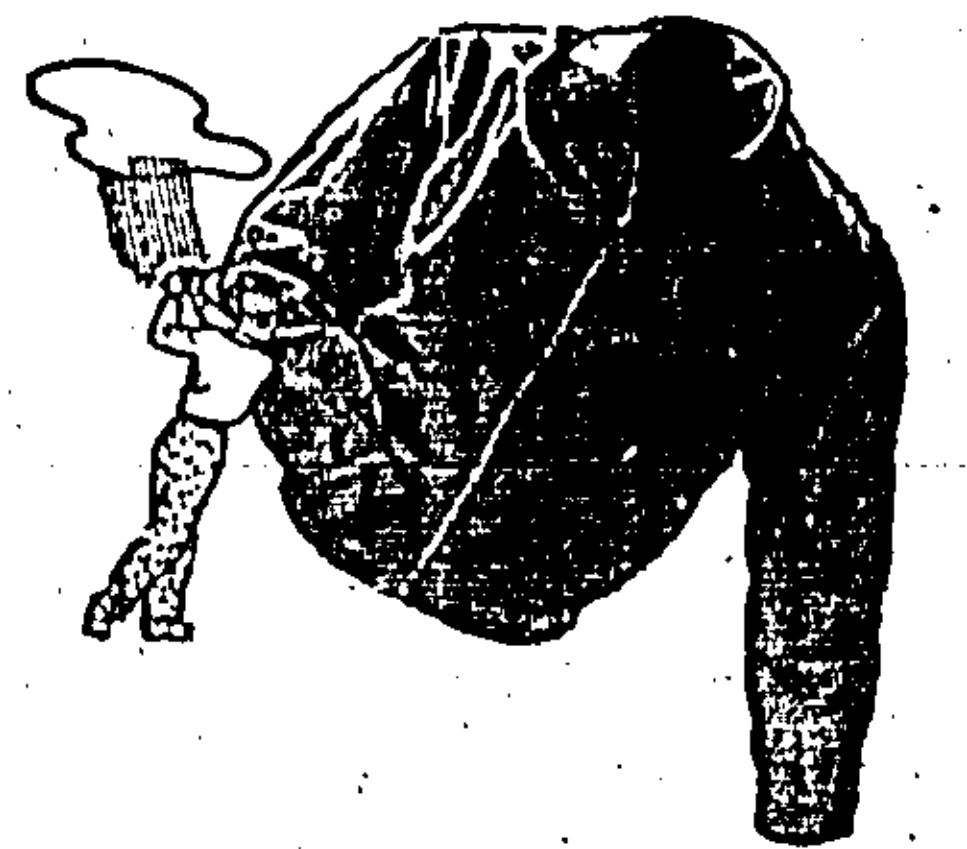
The handbook contains minute descriptions of the navies of the world, and asserts that the United States naval building programme is slowly proceeding in the heavier categories, although good progress has been made with the new 10,000

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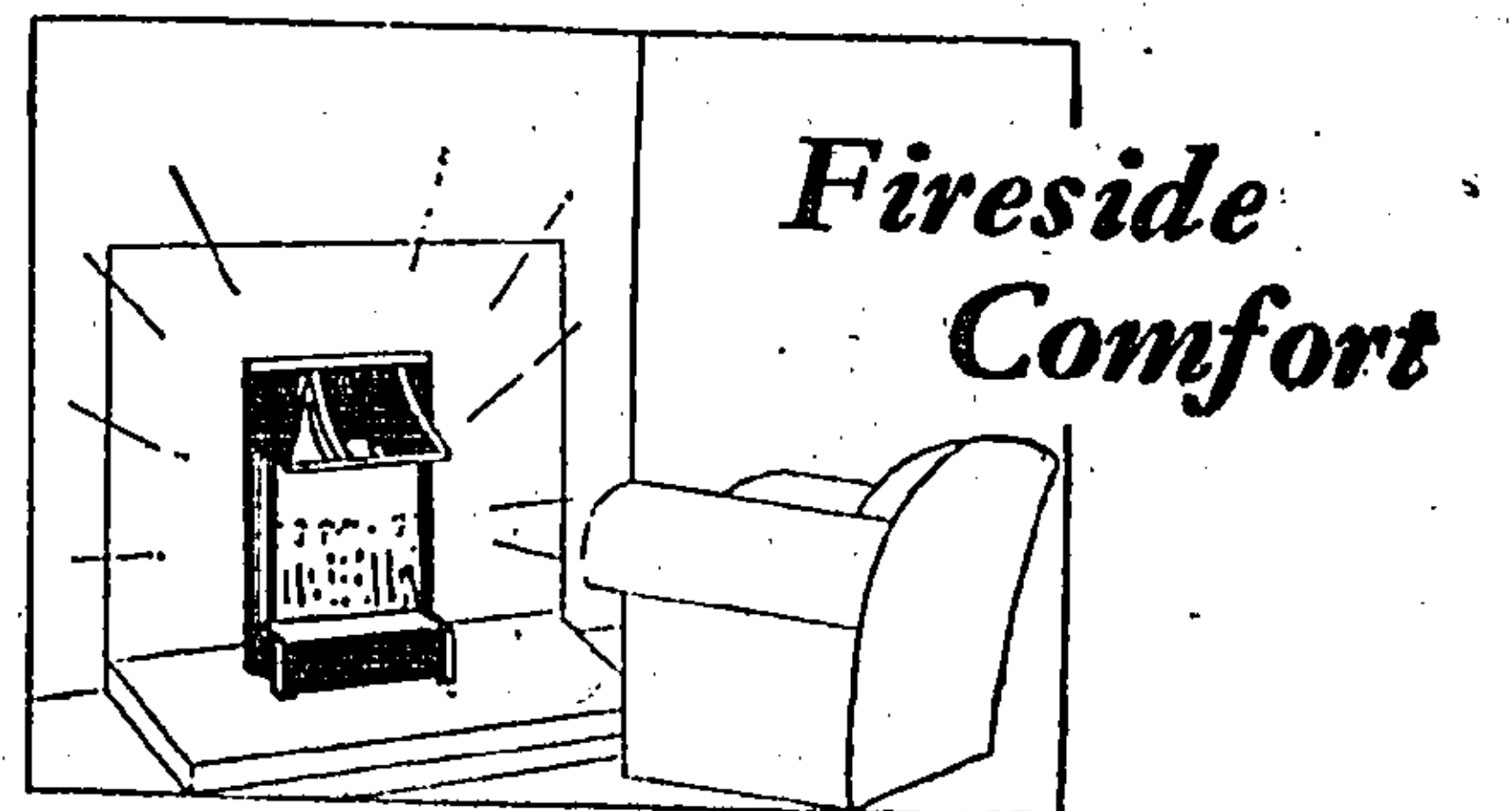
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H.K. School-Children P. T. Competition

The third annual physical training competition open to the local Vernacular Boys' Schools commenced at the Hongkong Football Club ground this morning, when 15 Hongkong schools took part in the eliminating rounds.

The Kowloon Schools will have their competition on the Kowloon Football Club grounds to-morrow at 9 a.m., while the finals will take part at 11 a.m.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, and the Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith will also be present.

Teams from the following schools took part this morning: Chung Wa, Tai Tung, Tuen Mun, Yeuk Chi, Fruit Dealers' Guild, Confucian Society, Taung Tin Association, Tak King, Fong Lam, Chi Keung, Kong Kiu, Lingnam Branch, Roman Catholic Mission, Kint Sin, and the St. Louis Industrial School.

Noted Actor Will Retire From Stage

Mel Lun-fang, noted Chinese actor and female impersonator, who is living a secluded life in Hongkong, will shortly retire altogether from stage life, according to a report.

For over twenty years Mel has been the foremost professional entertainer before the Chinese foot-lights and his art of impersonation has had no peer in the history of Chinese theatricals of the old school. Mel's last appearances were made early in last summer this year in Hongkong, when he attracted capacity houses.

Mel is leading an extremely simple life in Hongkong, passing his time studying English and listening to radio programmes from all over the world. He is said to have left his voice unpracticed during the past six months.

Drouth Hits Kansas

Topeka, Kas. S. D. Floro, federal meteorologist, has announced a new all-time record for fall drouths had been established in this part of Kansas. The only part of the state in which there has been a normal amount of rainfall is southwestern Kansas, which in years past had been included in the "durt bowl."

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SOVIET FORCES MASS

Big Concentrations In Far East

TOKYO, Dec. 19. A LARGE NUMBER of Soviet troops are still concentrated in the frontier area, declared Commandant Y. Yokoyama of the Japanese frontier guard which participated in "the recent hostilities in the Changkufeng area, upon his return home from Manchuria on Sunday.

Arriving at Tsuruga from Manchuria aboard a ferry-boat, the Army officer admitted that the Soviet forces concentrated on the border are well equipped, adding, however, that

their use of modern arms is apparently incomplete.

Commandant Yokoyama has been transferred to the Army Arsenal in Tokyo.—Domei.

SUNRIPE The 'Quality' CIGARETTES

JEWISH REFUGEES FOR S'HAJ

Italian Liner Brings Party Of 528

Ranging in age from a man of 68 years to a boy of three months and including one family of 16, German Jewish refugees to the number of 528 passed through Hongkong by the Lloyd Triestino liner Conte Blancamano yesterday on their way to Shanghai.

Unlike those who have recently been arriving in small parties and who were able to save a little capital, those on the Conte Blancamano are mostly very poor, some of them having only the clothes they wear. Their number was greater when they left Europe, but about 40 of them landed at ports en route. None landed at Hongkong.

Very few of the refugees can speak English at all; so that they welcomed representatives of the Hongkong Jewish Relief Society who met the ship and gave them full information about Shanghai, telling them that they would be met there and assisted by the Jewish Refugee Committee. For the most part they remained near the ship, buying an occasional blanket, where they could afford it, from the wharf hawkers.

The very needy found a friend in Mr. A. Landau, who was present on the wharf with a great basket containing 120 blankets. Through one of the refugee passengers who knew the circumstances of those on board he distributed these, to the most necessitous cases, with special consideration for those with children. Many of the refugees were completely unacquainted with the rigours of winter in Shanghai and were glad of the gift of a blanket. The donor intends to meet every ship bringing refugees and give what relief he can.

From Concentration Camps
The refugees included about 10 Jews who had been detained in concentration camps. Some of these declared that they had been released on condition they left the country within a certain brief time; those who could not escape by then were returned to the camps. These and many of the others, they stated, had been stripped of their belongings when they crossed the frontier of Germany.

Several described actual instances of persecution, one stating that he had seen a man forced into a box padded with nail points; the lid was then closed down on him.

"What you read in the papers is not nearly so horrible as what has been happening," one said. "The Jews are the victims of a murder-organisation which has nothing to do with the real German public. For the people of Germany we have no

ROBBER BEHEADED

Car Bandit in Germany Pays Penalty

Nuremberg, Dec. 17.
Within a few hours of being sentenced for highway robbery, the car bandit, Willy Haller, aged 24, was beheaded at midnight.
His girl accomplice was also sentenced to death but was saved from the headman's axe at the last minute by Hitler, who commuted the sentence to life imprisonment.—Reuter

hated and they have no hatred for us."

A man who had spent 10 weeks in a concentration camp stated that the beating and abuse were so ruthless that of 1,300 people in one of these camps 211 had died in 10 weeks. With eloquent gestures, some described how they had seen their fellows hanging from trees, either by the necks or, for torture, by the wrists.

The arrival of the Conte Blancamano's party will bring the total of Jewish refugees in Shanghai to over 1,000, and a number as great or greater is expected to pass through Hongkong by another ship in the near future.

Position in Shanghai

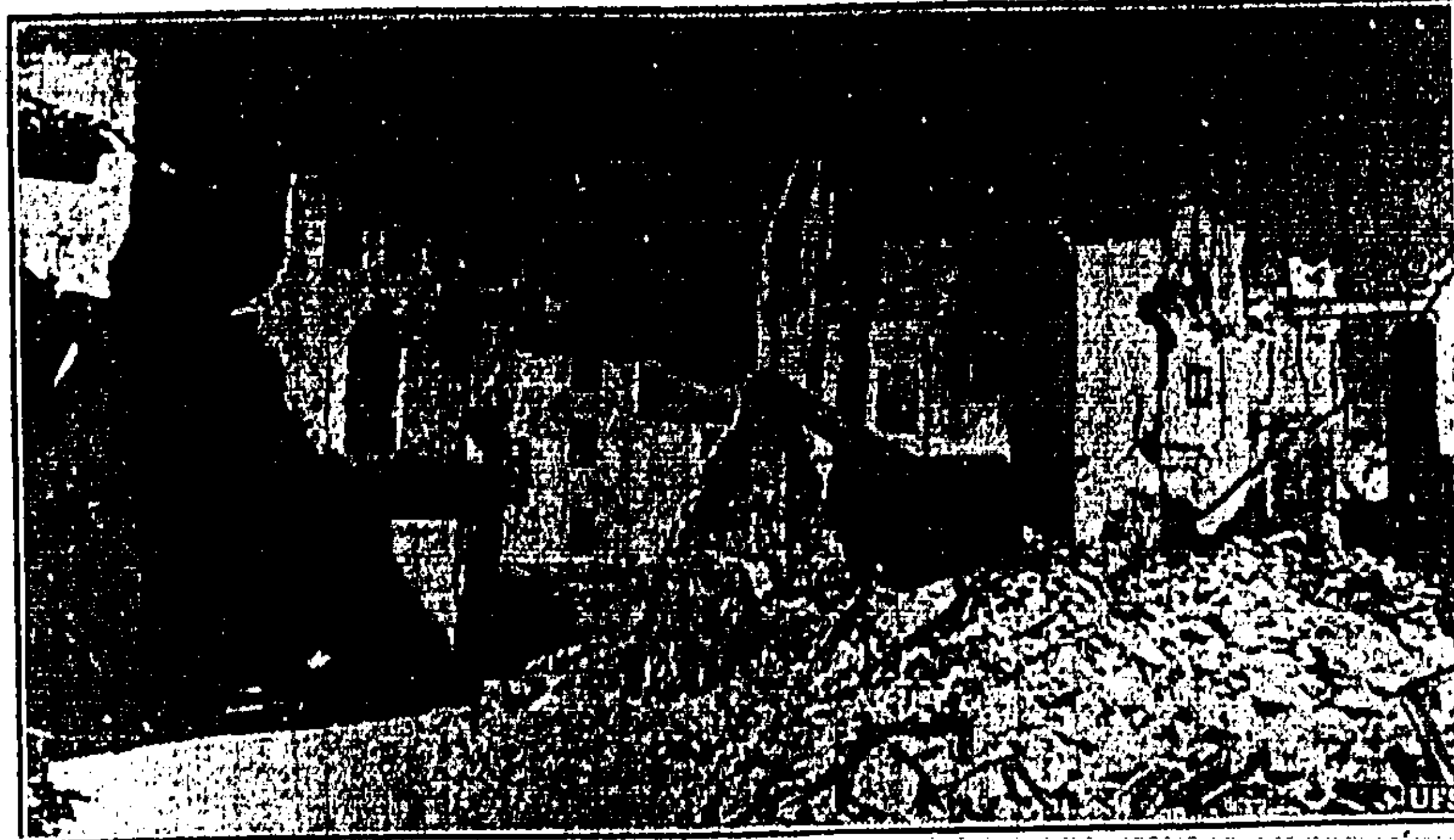
Advices from Shanghai state that the International Committee for Austrian and German refugees has only \$3,600 in hand. This is expected to last only till the end of the year. The American Red Cross is being asked to assist with monetary support when the present reserve is exhausted. So far \$42,000 has been raised in Shanghai; most of this was given by 20 individuals.

The London Committee for Refugee Relief sent £500, and an urgent appeal to the Joint Distribution Committee of New York resulted in a grant of U.S. \$2,500. Every penny of this foreign money has already been spent.

Housing the new arrivals is one of the local committee's greatest worries. So far most of the refugees have been sheltered in three or four houses in Hongkong, but conditions are reported to be unsatisfactory. It is contended that the only possible way to house the refugees is through the renovation of existing houses in Shanghai, and in some instances this necessitates the providing of furniture and other equipment. The fact that such a large group is arriving during the winter months will also contribute to the hardship of the refugees, for at present the high price of coal makes heating a costly item.

One of the first sights which confronted the refugees when they landed in Hongkong yesterday was the standard, from whose influence they had fled in dread—the Swastika. This symbol, on a big scale, appeared on the side of the steamer Sauerland, which was tied up near-

by.



This mass of ruins is all that is left of a village on the Ebro front in northern Spain, after a heavy bombardment by insurgent artillery in an effort to dislodge the Loyalists from positions they gained last summer. A communiqué from Barcelona later admitted Loyalist forces had retreated across the river to former positions.

Y'S MEN'S CLUBS

New Regional Director For China

At the sixteenth annual convention of Y's Men's Clubs held in Toronto some weeks ago, Mr. Y. Lewis Mason of Shanghai was elected Regional Director for China, succeeding Mr. Wm. Yinson Lee, the founder of the Y's Men's Movement of "Fellowship, Culture and Service" in China, who has held this position continuously since 1924. In recognition of his continuous service, he has been appointed at the same Toronto Convention, Regional Director-Emeritus for China.

Mr. Y. Lewis Mason is a native of Hing, Kiangsu, a graduate of the Tsing Hua College, B.A. from Colorado College, M.A. from Columbia University and M.C.S. from the New York University. Returning to China twelve years ago, he organized the Consolidated National Advertising Company of which he is a director and manager. He was a president of the Shanghai Y's Men's Club in 1930, is a director of the Shanghai Chinese Y.M.C.A. and has been chairman of the Shanghai Y's Men's Baby Clinic, succeeding Mr. Wm. Yinson Lee in 1935.

POLICE DANCE

A Police Dance will be held in the Peninsula Hotel on January 6 next, from 9.15 p.m. to 2 a.m.

There will be "spot" prizes and the price of admission will be \$2.

Car Handle Clue

Woman's Injuries Lead To Police Inquiry

A door handle broken from a car is the clue on which traffic police are working to clear up the mystery of a Chinese woman's injuries shortly after midnight Saturday at the junction of Arsenal Street and Queen's Road East.

The woman Chang Yan, was found on the corner where extensive alterations to the route are proceeding, at about 12.30 a.m. She was seriously injured apparently as a result of being knocked down by a car, for a door handle, newly broken, was found at the spot. This clue was picked up by a Petty Officer of the Royal Navy with whom the Traffic Inspector at the Central Police Station would like to get in touch.

The Inspector would also welcome news of any car that is minus a door handle and may be connected with the accident.

MOTOR CARS STOLEN

Two Europeans Lose Their Vehicles

Mr. S. J. G. Burt, of 1 Tramway Path, had his motor car stolen on Friday night, but recovered it on Saturday. It was found abandoned

RETURN TO SHANGHAI

Seventh Day Adventists' Eastern Academy

Thirty-two students—16 boys and 16 girls—were aboard the Indo-China company's new steamer Taisang when he sailed for Shanghai yesterday. Their departure marked the return to Shanghai of the Far Eastern Academy of the Seventh Day Adventist Mission after its location in Hongkong for some months.

The academy was transferred from Shanghai when hostilities extended into the Yangtsepo area. At Shanghai its headquarters here were in premises formerly a private residence at Lam Tai, Castle Peak.

The school's return to Shanghai accompanies the transfer back of the Seventh Day Adventist Church organisation headquarters.

The students were accompanied by the Principal of the Academy, Mr. W. F. Anderson, and four other teachers. Two teachers travelled by the Conte Blancamano and the remainder of the pupils and teachers will travel by the Conte Rosso after Christmas.

In the Peak district and a ring with three keys was missing.

Dr. E. W. Stout, of Alexandra Building, also lost his motor car on Saturday. It was left parked in Connaught Road Central from 3.15 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Ostracised Jews

Italian Government To Expropriate Land

The new Italian regulations regarding Jewish land property in Italy include methods whereby the property can be expropriated, says Reuter Bulletin.

Of Austria's 300,000 Jews, 67,000 emigrated during the period between March 15 and December 2.
Over 45,000 Jews left the country before August 1, 15,000 as refugees without permission of the state authorities, says a Trans-Ocean message from Vienna.

Posters are beginning to appear at numerous shopwindows in Rome, Milan and other Italian cities stating that owners are Aryans, says Trans-Ocean.

Over 4,000 Jews from Europe will land in Shanghai in the near future revealed the spokesman of the Japanese Foreign Office in Tokyo.

Arrest of Smugglers

Cologne, Dec. 17.

About 10,000 marks worth of foreign currency and gold coins to the value of 800 marks which were being smuggled abroad were found hidden aboard the Dutch Rhine steamer Queen Emma by German custom guards.

Five Jews who were being taken to Holland contrary to existing regulations were also discovered on the ship, which has been confiscated. Four members of the crew and a woman passenger, alleged to be the leader of a gang of smugglers, have been arrested.—Trans-Ocean.

Doctor Shot Dead

Lausanne, Dec. 17.

The Chief physician of Lausanne University Clinics, Doctor Meunier, was shot dead at the Cantonal Hospital by a medical student, Emel Grunberg, 20-year-old Rumanian Jew. Grunberg committed suicide after the murder. He wanted to graduate and felt unfairly treated by Dr. Meunier.—Trans-Ocean.

APPOINTMENTS

The Rt. Rev. Bishop H. Valtorta and Mr. Li Jowson have been nominated as members of the Court of the University of Hongkong for a further period of three years as from December 17.

Mr. H. V. Wilkinson, D.S.O., has been nominated as a member of the Court of the University of Hongkong for a period of three years as from December 8.

Mr. Charles J. Roe has been appointed to act as Secretary to the Urban Council as from December 15.



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CANTON TO MACAO
Japanese to Commence Steamer Service

Canton, Dec. 18.
The Japanese will begin a regular steamer service between Canton and Macao on Tuesday for Chinese and Japanese passengers only.

The five-barred Chinese flag made its first appearance on buildings today since the revolution.—Reuter.

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Hongkong F. A. Eleven Defeated 4-0 In Charity Soccer

LEE WAI-TONG SCORES TWICE FOR CHINESE

Although at times they looked just as workmanlike as their opponents, the Hongkong F.A. eleven nevertheless were defeated by the Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation team by 4-0 yesterday at Caroline Hill in the charity soccer match.

Territorially, the H.K.F.A. team often had as much say in the matter as the Chinese; but their finishing was not so good, and the combination of the forwards did not always impress. All the same, the game was closer than the final scores would indicate.

"Star" attraction in the Chinese side once again was Lee Wai-tong, who made one of his now-all-too-rare appearances, and he did not disappoint the crowd, shooting two fine goals.

Watson, originally selected at right back for the F.A., was unable to play and his place in the team was filled by Hussain who, although not quite so reliable as the Middlesex man, was a tower of strength with his hefty clearances and the keen watch he kept over Lee Wai-tong.

BETTER COMBINATION

It is perhaps only to be expected that the Chinese combined together much more effectively than the F.A. players, particularly so in the forward line. Tang Kwong-sum, Fung King-cheung, Lee Wai-tong, Lal Shiu-wing and Hau Ching-to were always more dangerous near goal than Thoburn, Leonard, Fowler, Hunt and Bickford. The latter quintette got quite close on a few occasions, but their efforts were not consistent enough to bother the splendid Chinese defence unit.

The Chinese were the first to attack, and a nice passing movement was spoiled by Lal Shiu-wing shooting wildly over the bar.

The F.A. left wing pair then caught the eye with a fine movement, and Hunt's punting shot forced a corner from which Fowler headed narrowly over. Once more the Chinese missed an opportunity of taking the lead when Lal Shiu-wing made another hash of his attempt at goal.

There was a thrill shortly after this when Lee Hussain was engaged in a tussle for the ball near

the F.A. goal. The former won, but with only McAllister to beat, he shot yards wide.

CHINESE TAKE LEAD

Nevertheless, 20 minutes after the start the Chinese assumed the lead through Tang Kwong-sum, who lobbed the ball into the net from a free-kick.

The F.A. forwards made a great attempt to equalise before the interval, and Fowler nearly succeeded. In a race for the ball, he was only just beaten by Pau Ka-ping, who punched the ball almost off his toe. Later, Bickford sent in a terrific drive which looked a winner but Pau managed to get his foot to it. Hunt met the rebound and was unlucky to see it pass outside the post. It was a narrow escape for the Chinese.

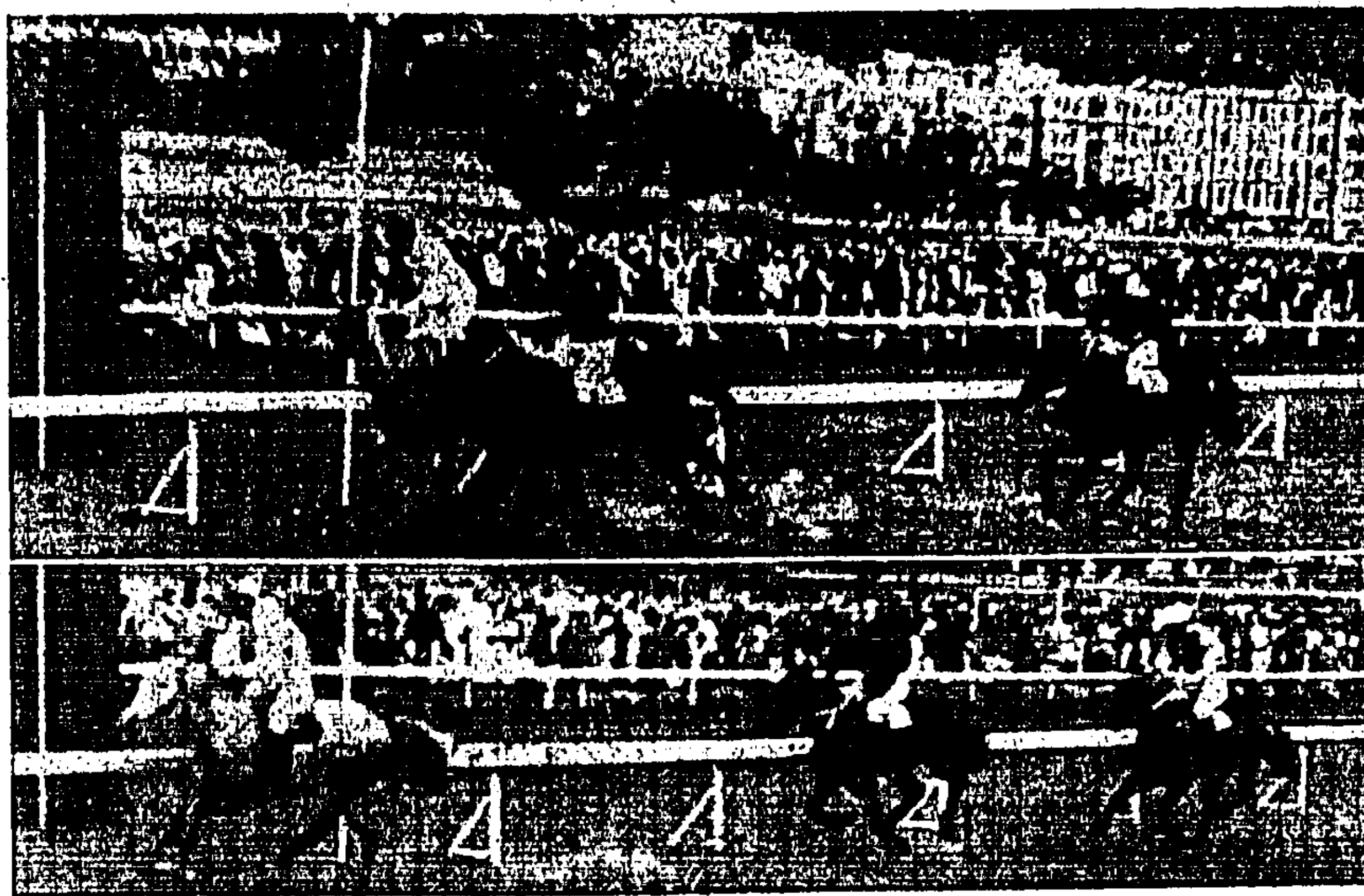
During the 20 minutes after the resumption the Chinese superiority was never in doubt. They made rings round the F.A. and Lee was unfortunate not to score from two typical efforts. However, it was he who put the Chinese further ahead, a drive from just outside the penalty area beating McAllister all the way.

Lal Shiu Ching-to added the third, and before the end Lee Wai-tong put in the fourth.

The F.A. forwards were outshone at this stage of the encounter though once Fowler got his head to the ball and nodded it into the net, but he was ruled off-side. Then a few minutes later he again scored, but the whistle had been blown against him for an infringement.

Teams:
Hongkong F.A.—McAllister; Hussain, Sheehan, Honeywell, Dixon, Stranger, Thoburn, Leonard, Fowler, Hunt and Bickford.
H.K.C.A.F.—Pau Ka-ping; Mok Shui-hon, Lee Tin-sang; Soong Ling-sing, Lau Hing-choy, Hsu King-shing; Tang Kwong-sum, Fung King-cheung, Lee Wai-tong, Lal Shiu-wing and Hau Ching-to.

Last Meeting Of Season



Mr. A. W. Raymond on Double Chance won the History Handicap on Saturday by a head from Plain View, ridden by Mr. H. C. Pih. Flybynight (Mr. S. C. Liang up) was third. Bottom picture shows Salvage Master (Mr. B. L. Tao up) winning the Sub-Griffins Autumn Champions by two lengths from Piet Hein, ridden by Mr. H. C. Pih. Mr. Raymond, on National Guard, was third. Saturday's meeting was the last of the season.—Pictorial News.

R.A.F. DEFEATED AGAIN IN THE H.K.H.A. TOURNAMENT

BETTER FORWARD LINE GIVES C.B.A. VICTORY

(By "The Pilgrim")

The Central British Association did very well to beat the R.A.F. 2-1 on their own ground at King's Park yesterday in the Hongkong Hockey Association Tournament.

It was not a thrilling match by any means; better games have been seen this season. Nevertheless play was always keen and interesting throughout.

The success of the C.B.A. was due mainly to their forwards, G. A. Fowler, S. A. Fowler and D. Smith, and their goals were the result of clever moves by the two Fowlers, who scored after 20 minutes, though there was an element of luck in the first goal, which should have been cleared by King, the R.A.F. goalie.

The visitors had as much of the exchanges territorially, and before lemon-time was called, Froude reduced the deficit after a good effort on the left wing.

C.B.A. were more in the picture in the second half, but Ackerill and Smeeton, in the visitors' defence, broke up several promising raids. Though Jenkins was the weak link at right-half, Miller, at centre-half, was the most hard-working of the intermediates.

The forwards had chances of equalising in this half; Froude continued to be a menace with his centres, but the inside men, Woods and Medd, failed to take their chances. Towards the end, however, the airman put everything they had into the game but the C.B.A. were equally determined and did well to maintain the lead.

In the home defence, N. Whitley played a sterling game at centre-half, whilst the backs, S. MacNider and V. Bond, gave a consistently good display.

It was a fast and interesting game in spite of the bumpy state of the ground.

FINE RECREIO ATTACK

Highlight of the game was the exceedingly fine play of the Portuguese forwards. Beltrao led the attack brilliantly and with Rodrigues and Fonseca on either side, the opposition defenders had little rest. The halves, R. Marques, W. A. Reed and Tony Alves, formed a grand trio. A wide-awake couple of backs left, J. Soares with very little to do in front, though as a substitute for Ribeiro he showed fine judgment in dealing with some dangerous raids.

Superior in all departments, the Recreio deserved their victory.

Radio Beats R.A.O.C. Side

The Radio and Postal Sports Club proved too good for the R.A.O.C. when the teams met at Caroline Hill yesterday in the H.K.H.A. Tournament, emerging victors by seven goals to nil. The winners scored five goals in the first half and two in the second.

Goal-scorers were Gurbachan Singh (3), Awlar Singh (3) and J. Tavares.

LOCAL CRICKET CAPTAINS

STILL SIZING UP THEIR OWN SIDES Many Changes In Batting And Bowling Orders

(By "R. Abbit")

Judging from the cricket played on Saturday, I have come—rightly or wrongly—to the conclusion that Captains are working round with their teams to size up their possibilities before they settle a policy for their League matches, which start next month. It is the only explanation of the various changes in batting orders and in putting on the various bowlers. They may or may not be well advised.

I admit cricket this year has had no general continuity so far. Some players, who will come in for the League games have been away off and on for various causes. But I still maintain that the best results are to be obtained by settling one's team as soon as possible, and then selecting one's batting order. The Club and the K.C.C. seem still to be feeling around for the latter. I was interested to see that directly Donald Anderson went back to number one batsman he got eighty-seven. But it was against the Civil Service bowling, and anyway, oh! you mid-on!

CLUB V. ARMY
The Club were nearly at full strength when they met the Army. Kibbee alone being absent, and they apparently experimented with their batting order. It did not come off, however, though some of the less likely bats came off. Neither "Idle" nor Pearce are to my mind opening batsmen, and neither came off. Stokes and Hiley, however, did a bit better and John Pearce (35) and G. P. Longfield (38) did well enough to enable Owen Hughes to declare at 105 for nine wickets. Both Alec Pearce and Owen Hughes have not made any big scores lately and possibly these are reserved for the Triangular Tournament. The bowling did not appear very formidable, but again experiments seem to have been made, as neither Beck nor Alec Pearce went on at all and Owen Hughes only sent down nine overs. For the Army, Webb failed but the other six batsmen to go in all got double figures, Godby being top scorer with thirty-two. At the close of play they wanted forty-one runs with five wickets to go. It was not a very good dress rehearsal for the big match next week end.

LOW SCORING
At Craigengower the home side won rather a scrappy match against a rather weak Navy side. Manners did not play and apart from Whitmarsh (20) and Brownrigg (25) there were only two double figure scores, except for Mr. Extras. Against the low score of 105 Craigengower only just managed to get home by one wicket and they would have had a sorry time but for Rapley who scored 41. A. R. H. Esmail, got as far as nineteen but both G. Souza and D. Hung failed and Ernie Zimmerman just managed to pull off the game with twelve. They too seemed to be experimenting with their batting order.

For Craigengower no less than five bowlers (one of whom was Omar who has not played for some time, I think) took one wicket apiece. F. R. Zimmerman had four for

twenty. For the Navy, Paxton had four for forty-two, but Firth returned the best figures—four for nineteen. Whitmarsh had the other two.

MINU AGAIN

The I.R.C. had a bad start and lost four wickets cheaply but a fine stand between Y. el Arcuili (58) and A. H. Mar (31) saved the situation. At the end K. M. Rumsjohn (13) and M. el Arcuili (28 not out) enabled them to reach the fairly respectable total of 154. It is satisfactory from their point of view that some of the younger players are coming on, as Nazarin is for the moment dead out of luck. When Recreio came to bat they found Minu much more of a problem than the Club bowlers the week before. He sent down 15.3 overs, bowling unchanged, with three maidens and he took 7 wickets for fifty runs. He is easily the best bowler in the Colony at present. E. L. Gosano for Recreio was only able to collect two for twenty-four, but he ran up 23, while L. G. got 13, Prata 10 and A. P. Pereira 10 not out. But they were unable to get more than 103, and the Indians won an excellent game.

A GREAT STAND

The K.C.C. innings of 179 for 7 declared really was composed of a stand by Anderson (87) and Ernie Fincher (63) plus 20 extras. The remaining six batsmen only putting up 10 runs between them. The C.S. bowling was pretty bad, though Perry stuck to it nobly with 4 for 49 in 14.3 overs. McEllan, when bowling round the wicket in his first spell, was badly knocked about but in his second spell when he went over the wicket, he bowled very well, keeping a good pace and making the ball run away. While I still maintain that last season he did much of his best work when bowling his off spinners round the wicket, I am being driven to the conclusion that now he is not so successful with that form of attack and does better over the wicket. I expect to see him picked for the Club v. the Army and we shall see. In that connection Dicky Richardson strengthened his claims to a place by a patient innings of 53 not out. He gave no chance though it is whispered that one or two cover drives off Lee's off swinger departed between his legs and the wicket to the leg boundary. Daniells played an invaluable innings after Griffiths and McEllan had picked two magnificent (and consecutive) balls from Robert Lee. Perry hung on long enough to save the game. I am told that the C.S. fielding was—well they won't print what I was told, but it was not good and Anderson

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Navy Fifteen Much Too Good For Army In Rugby Tourney

(By "Fly-Hall")

Navy easily overcame the Army at Sookunpoo on Saturday in the Triangular Rugby Tournament. Their three had very little difficulty in breaking through the Army defence to pile up 32 points (four goals and four tries) without reply.

The Army pack played very hard, and dominated the forward play. Their policy seemed to have been one of keeping the ball amongst the forwards. In this they succeeded although some rather foolish play was witnessed in this respect. The back row forwards, especially Berry, were guilty of hindering their scrum half.

The Army halves were completely outplayed by Talbot and Elliot. So well did Talbot bottle up Leach that seldom did Gibson receive a pass. Gudgeon and Chiverril were the only Army threats to show rugby sense. The hard tackling of Gudgeon

was very effective on many occasions. Chiverril hardly ever received the ball in attack, so it was chiefly in defence that he figured. Walte was weak at right inside three, missing his man again and again with the result that Pratt was left with two men. Both Pratt and the Army full-back, Marshall, lacked pace against the speedy Navy three. Marshall's fielding and kicking, however, were sound although not brilliant.

TALBOT WATCHED
Talbot, although he marked his vis-a-vis well, was himself carefully

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The Navy overwhelmed the Army by 32 points to nil in the Triangular Rugby Tournament on Saturday. Picture shows Mont. Lewis finding touch with a hefty kick.—Photo by A. A. Kahn.

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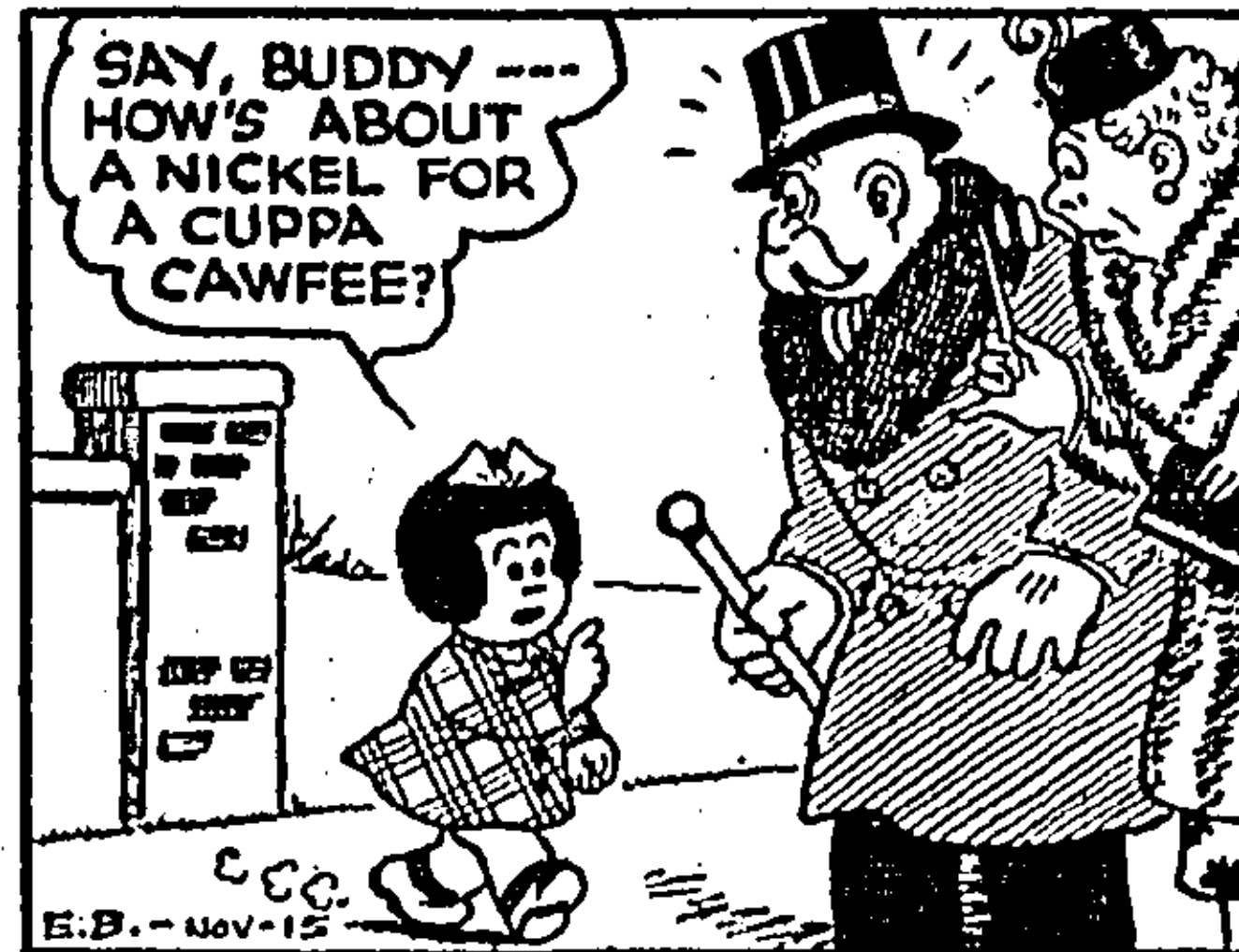
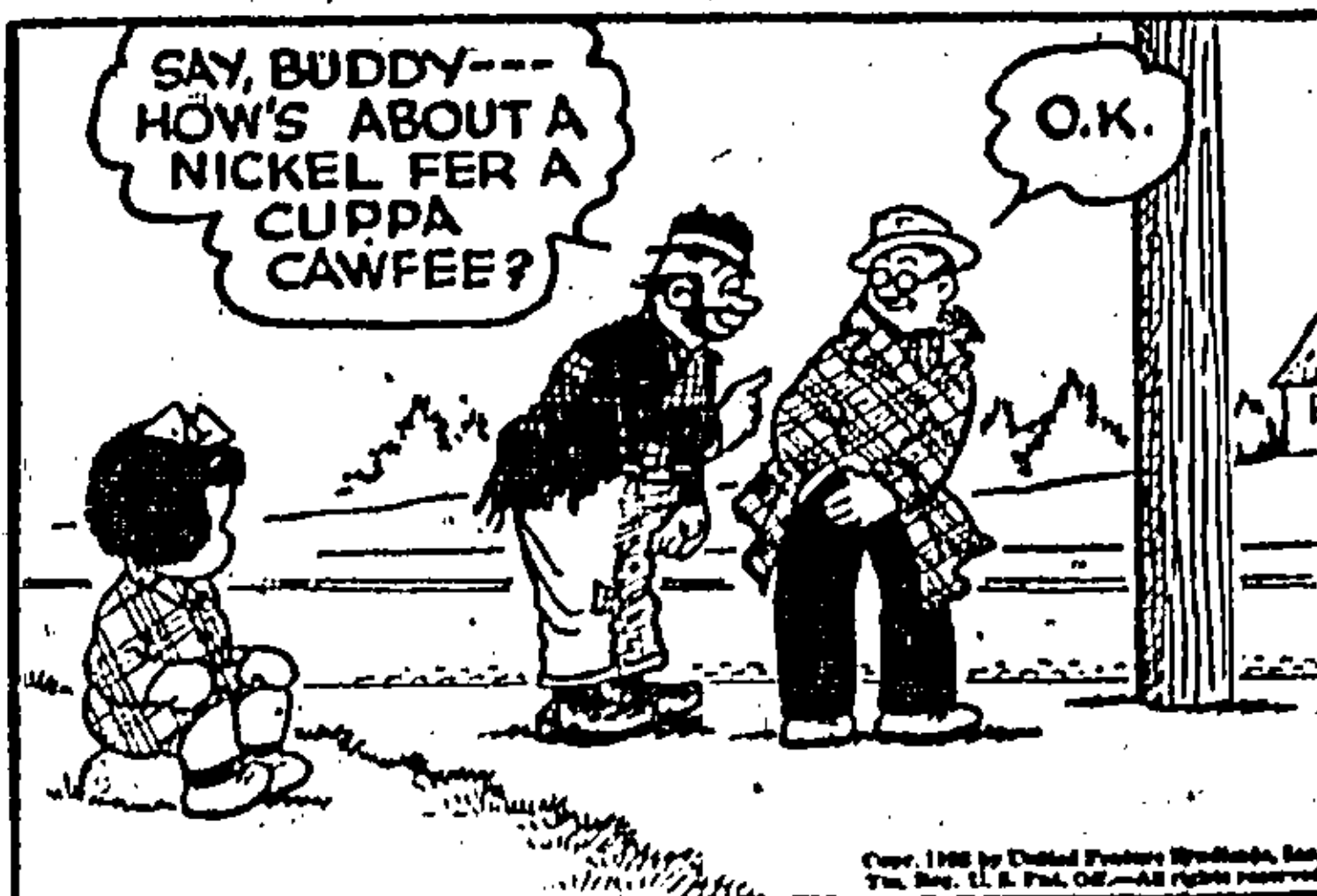
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IMPORTANT TIE IN "A" DIVISION BADMINTON LEAGUE

An important match in the "A" Division of the Badminton League will be played this evening when the University "A" visit the Chinese Y.M.C.A.

The programme is as follows:
Chinese "A" v. University "A"
King's College v. Recreio

NANCY



First 100 Of Season By E.A. Templeton

Large Attendance At Sunday Rifle Shoot: Colony Team Chosen

A large attendance at the Sunday Shoot yesterday witnessed some high scoring. Conditions were good except for a slight haze at 600 yards which, however, cleared later.

E. A. Templeton of the 4th Submarine Flotilla had the distinction of obtaining the first hundred of the season scoring 192 out of a possible 105 a very fine performance indeed, which included a possible at 500 yards.

The 300 yards Range is a popular one, two other possibilities being registered by E. R. A. Keiller of the 4th S.M. Flotilla and Sgt. A. C. Chan of the H. K. Police Reserve.

The S. R. (a) Nett Spoon was won by P.O. H. Richards with 89 and it is pleasant to note a distinct improvement in the other scores with the S.R. (a).

No fewer than 10 teams entered for the Affiliated Club Match which was won by the Naval Range Staff at Stonecutters with 540 followed by the 4th S.M. Flotilla 10 behind.

The Revolver Aggregate was won by Sgt. Tansley of the H.K. Police Reserve.

CLAY-BIRD SHOOT.

Captain Newton, the indefatigable Hon. Secretary of the Clay-bird shooting came in from camp to superintend the competitions, the open being won by Sgt. Lt. MacDonald of H.M.S. Falmouth.

Inspector Hopkins of the H. K. Police, who had prepared the programme, gave away the leading prizes at the conclusion of a very enjoyable morning's shooting.

After shooting had concluded, the Committee sat in the Hon. Secretary's Office in the Clubhouse and issued invitations to the following to represent the Colony in the Far East Trophy Match.

There will be a final practice for this match—8 rounds at 200, 500, and 600 yards on Wednesday next and it is hoped to fire the competition proper on the following day, Thursday.

S.R. (b)—P.O. J. C. Swan (Captain); Cpl. F. P. Sequeira, H.K.V.D.C.; C/Sgt. P. Hale, Sgt. V. W. Cooper, Mdx. Regt.; Mnc. P. G. Heather, Sgt. R. J. Hep, R. N. Staff; Mr. T. J. Boulton, D. R. E., Inspector A. L. Hopkins, Sgt. G. Perkins, H.K. Police; Cadet G. J. P. Carey, Surg. Lt. J. B. Mackie (Reserve) H.K.N.V.F.

S.R. (a)—Major D. F. L. Campbell, R.A.S.C. (Captain); P.O. H. Richards, Mdx. S. Croft, Cpl. F. Cole, R.N. Staff; Pte. V. W. Hammond, H.K.V.D.C. Cpl. W. Nunn, R.E.; Mr. W. K. Gillman, D.R.C.; Pte. D. Sim, L/Cpl. R. Bullen, Royal Scots; Cpl. Maghar Singh, Cpl. Charan Singh (Reserve), H.K. Police.

AT STONECUTTERS

The usual high standard of shooting was maintained at Stonecutters on

Navy Fifteen Easily Beat Army Team

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watched by the Army forward and as a result many of his passes were wild. Elliot opened up the game for Navy and once again his kicking was effective.

On numerous occasions, when after the Army forwards had fought their way nearly up to the Navy line, the ball would come into Elliot's possession, and with a long curving kick, he would bring the ball back to the centre again.

The Navy centres delighted with their clever side-stepping and thrustful running. Walters and Lewis were two fast wing-men who employed the cross-kicks to advantage.

Elliot gave another faultless display. His feeding and kicking were exceptionally good.

BEST OF FORWARDS

The best of a hard-working Army pack were Cuthbertson, Crawford and Page, whilst Navy were best served by Anderson, Thatcher and the line-outs.

In the first half, Navy scores were Askwilth, Lewis, Ogle and Lewis in that order. Elliot converted the first three tries with good kicking. During the second half, Navy increased their lead of 21 points by tries from Askwilth (2) Lewis and Walters. Elliot converted one of the tries to bring the Navy total to 32 points.

Teams: — L/Sgt. Marshall (R. Scots); 2/Lt. Chiverrall (Middlesex), Lt. Gudgson (Middlesex), Spr. Waite (R.E.) and Cpl. Pratt (R.A.O.C.); Lt. Gibson (R. Scots), and Pte. Leach (R.A.O.C.); Pte. Richardson (R. Scots), Spr. Pike (R.E.), 2/Lt. Lutherson (R. Scots); Gnr. Evans (5th A. Bde. R.A.), Spr. Apple (R.E.); L/Sgt. Page (5th A. Bde. R.A.), Lt. Crawford (R.C. Signals) and Pte. Berry (Middlesex).

Royal Navy: A. B. Hunt (Eagle); Lieut. Walters (Medway); Lieut. Skelton (Medway); P. O. Askwilth (Dartmouth); Lieut. (E.) Lewis (Birmingham); Lieut. Elliot (Capt. (Eagle); Lieut. Talbot (Medway); A. B. Thatcher (Eagle); Mr. Whitherton (Dunoon); Ldg. Sen. Romans (Eagle); Sub. Lt. (A.) Hain (Eagle); Lieut. Bodding (Eagle); Lieut. Ogle (Medway); Lieut. Manners (Birmingham); Lieut. Anderson (Medway).

LEN HUTTON STRUCK ON HEAD BY FAST BOWLER

Johannesburg, Dec. 17. Leonard Hutton, England's opening batsman and holder of the world's record score, was struck on the head by a ball from a fast bowler, rendered unconscious, in the M.C.C. South Transvaal match to-day, and was taken to the hospital where it was announced that he was suffering from a slight concussion. The ball bounced off his head and struck his wicket.

Transvaal totalled 428 for 8 wickets declared, of which Viljoen scored 97 and Langton 58, the pair having added 139 runs for the seventh wicket. Wilkinson took 4 for 78 and Kenneth Farnes 4 for 93. The M.C.C. had scored 238 for 6 wickets at the close of play; Edrich 38, Paynter 8, Hammond 24, L. Ames 104 not out, Yardley 13 and Bartlett 36.

As the Transvaal team will probably provide seven or eight players for the First Test, the match is regarded as a Test Trial.

It was later announced that the condition of Hutton was excellent, and that he was no longer suffering from concussion.

Soviet Explores Resources

Moscow. More than 3,000 geological expeditions have been sent out this year by the Soviet Government to discover new natural resources. Many new oil deposits have been found in Yakutia, tin has been discovered in Swantia and zinc, lead, tin and silver in Northern Osetia.

CRICKET CAPTAINS STILL SIZING UP THEIR OWN SIDES

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should have been caught in the twenties and a chance of stumping went adrift though Colledge made amends by stumping Robert Lee nicely. Lawrence got 13 and he will stiffen the batting but Baker is badly needed. All the same, I can't quite make out what Perry was doing with his bowling. He put Richardson on again (the I believe the stumping mistake was off him) and he is very expensive. He might remember that when Dicky took wickets against Shanghai it was on a sticky wicket and it is no use bowling him on a concrete pitch. Hawkins—who is personally very retelling about his trundling—is to my mind more likely to get a wicket. And Hollidge was not put on at all.

SECOND DIVISION GAMES

At Soekuhpoo the Club second, without Bishop, did not have too easy a journey, and if their skipper, Eric Mitchell, had not pulled out a 33 not out, they would have been properly in the soup. I don't know if "Cousin Eric" would prefer to be called a veteran or a was-bird, (as we do say down in Hampshire) but it is pleasant to see him get going again. Lowe and Parsons got 21 apiece and Extras played a fine innings for 25, but for the rest, "huff" said.

The Army simply took tea with the Club bowling. Coombes, who has come down from the first, I see, got 27, Sgt. Baker (41) and Ratcliffe 20 not out, but they could only get to 101 when time was called.

MORE LOW SCORING

The Navy second ran up 108 for eight, collected at King's Park. The Craigengower thanks largely to Page, who made 30, Webster (17) and Extras (10)—(awful lot of

extras this week are there not? Possibly because the Press have started cricket! C.C.C. just staved off defeat thanks to Winch and N. Broadbridge, that is if they had eleven men! Nine were out for ninety runs.

A CURIOUS GAME

The game in which Reccelo second played the I.R.C. second was very curious in that, on each side, nine batsmen, did nothing at all and two came off. For the home side Xavier carried his bat through the innings for forty-five and R. Soares made thirty-five. For the I.R.C. H. T. Barma made thirty-two and A. K. Minu 36. For the rest the I.R.C. nine made a few less than the Reccelo nine, but their last wicket managed to play out time. In the bowling Curreen had 5 for 10, while Alves took four for ten and Soares three for twelve.

SCHOOL CRICKET

I am reluctantly being driven to the conclusion that the University are pretty weak this season. The C.B.S. ran up 174 against them, of which Sulter got 79 and Stone 33. All the Varsity could do was 118 for 7 of which Tam had fifty-two. So far as I can make out the only thing worse than the batting of the D.B.S. was the batting of the Police, on the latter's ground. The home side made 54 only thanks to some excellent bowling by S. K. Cheung (6 for 19). I have never discovered why he did not play for the Combined Schools. Cray backed him up with four for twenty-five. The D.B.S. lost 8 for 29 but then a stand between Whitfield and Chin Parts pulled them through.

By the way I do not think scores of under twenty should be recorded. It tends to individualism a bit, or so it seems to me.

Civil Service Juniors Must Improve Fielding

The most important lesson the Civil Service learnt from their match with the K.C.C. second eleven on Saturday, which was a very close affair, was the need for fielding practice—and very assiduous practice at that.

Dozens of runs were conceded through sheer lazy fielding, while two very expensive catches were dropped. Gray being missed when in the twenties, and McKenzie after he had scored about 40. The former went on to hit up 69, and the latter carried his bat for 71.

It was in ground fielding, however, that the visitors so sadly erred, and until this is improved, the Civil Service will always likely to find itself self against heavy totals. The Civil Service introduced a battery of six bowlers, including Warr, who has apparently forsaken wicket-keeping for bowling. Actually he bowled quite well, and made 14 in his first spell, making the ball swing quite a lot bowling into the wind. But he was heavily punished when he came on a second time, and Paine was really the only bowler to keep the batsmen playing at him consistently. Paine struck Bulke in his first spell, making the ball swing quite a lot bowling into the wind. But he was heavily punished when he came on a second time, and Paine was really the only bowler to keep the batsmen playing at him consistently. Paine struck Bulke in his first spell, making the ball swing quite a lot bowling into the wind. But he was heavily punished when he came on a second time, and Paine was really the only bowler to keep the batsmen playing at him consistently.

INSPIRED BOWLING

When it came to batting, the Civil Service found themselves against an inspired bowler in Luke, who made the utmost of bowling into the wind, and by pitching the ball consistently on the off peg with a tantalising length, had nearly all of the visitors in difficulties. His final figures of 6 for 19 in no way flattered him, for he bowled really well, and was also supported by some clever fielding.

Warr was the one man to show a straight bat and he held front to a keen attack, and his 26 runs were nicely made, though he was morally

bowed by Lay very early on, and could never get Luke away. Finally Taylor, a newcomer to the K.C.C., who shows excellent promise as an all-rounder, completely deceived him with a lovely ball, which came off fast, and broke back a trifle.

Almslee, a youngster, also batted resolutely, and scored one or two excellent boundaries to the leg, but he usually succumbed to a fine delivery by Luke, who always appeared likely to get the wicket.

Feature of the K. C. C. innings was the third wicket partnership of W. L. McKenzie and S. A. Gray, which added 110 in just under 50 minutes. McKenzie was subdued in the earlier stages, but Gray hit in a very careful manner, and obtained his 69 runs in the course of the partnership. His 50 occupied about 40 minutes, and there were 13 boundaries in his knock, most of which were made with sweeping pulls and hooks to the leg. McKenzie, having reached his half century, proceeded to produce his best shots, and added three scintillating boundaries by perfect cover drives before the innings was declared closed. McKenzie's best hits were a six (a magnificent pull off Almslee) and six boundaries. He batted 89 minutes for his runs, and the K.C.C. made their 188 in about 100 minutes. Before his dismissal, Taylor made some splendid forcing shots, and hit five boundaries in a knock of 28.

ENJOYABLE GAME

An enjoyable cricket match was played at the Kowloon C.C. yesterday when the Under 40's (led by D. J. N. Anderson) defeated the Over 40's (led by Mr. Justice Lind-sell) by seven wickets.

The Over 40's were dismissed for 79 runs, but though the "Youngsters" lost three wickets cheaply to the wiles of F. E. Nash, they eventually hit off the runs without further loss, thanks to G. A. Goodban who scored 53 before retiring.

VOLUNTEERS DEFEATED

The Volunteers were entertained by the Craigengower C.C. at Happy Valley yesterday and were beaten by four wickets. The Volunteers scored 101, which



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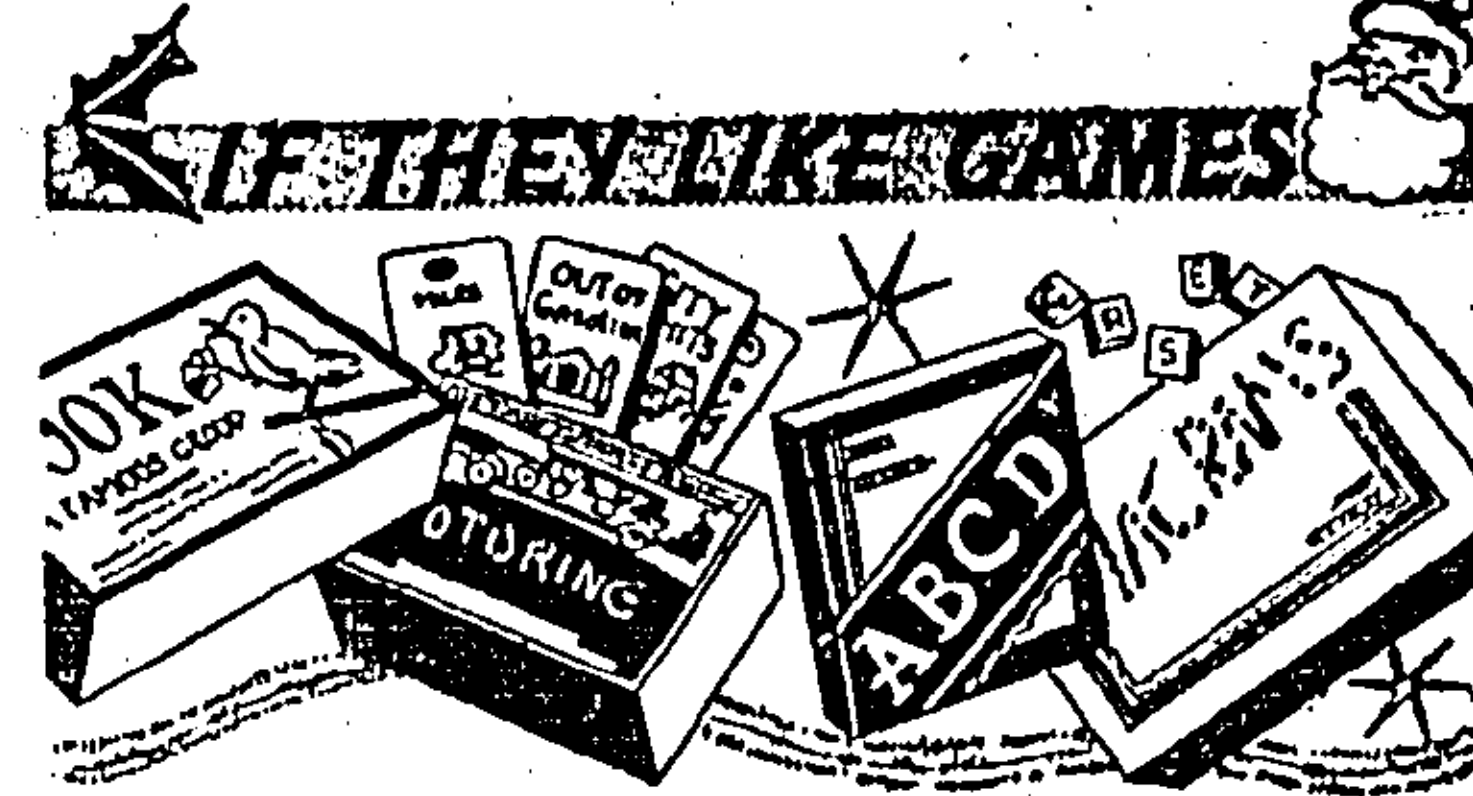
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was reached chiefly as the result of the efforts of E.C. Fincher (68) and A. E. Perry (21). F. R. Zimmerman took five wickets for 40 and A.K. Ismail four for 45.

Injury Upon Injury

St. Louis. Emmett Manes, 22, lost four fingers when his right hand was caught in a punch press he was operating. A few minutes later he suffered head trauma when he was thrown through the windshield of an automobile in which he was being rushed to a hospital. The automobile rolled and struck a tree and of a tree.

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Most of us nowadays use a complexion brush to remove surplus powder and tidy up the face generally. After powder has been pressed on to the skin with a large soft puff, the brush spreads it evenly and leaves a soft matt surface with no hint of patches and caking. It prevents that "scrubbed on" look that badly made-up faces have.

But the other complexion brush does even more valuable work. Skin specialists tell us that many men have excellent healthy skins because of the stimulating massage effect of their shaving brushes. The action of the bristles lifts up the sluggish glands and nerves beneath the skin; the soap and warm water whirled round in the brush cleans the face as nothing else can. Hence there are fewer men than women who reach middle-age with double chins and sagging face contours.

Regular Facial Treatment

As a result of this, nowadays beauty specialists are advocating regular facial treatments with a soaped brush. It is excellent for greasy and rather heavy skins. If you use a special skin brush and a really good "superfatted" or "cream" soap. Once a week is enough for the average complexion; twice if your skin is very oily.

Use tepid water only and work up a very mild lather. Brush with a circular movement for about a minute, then wash off very thoroughly with warm water. Never allow the soap to dry on your skin, and complete the stimulation by brush. Finish with the brush dipped in cold water to close the pores.

Face brushing is best done at night after the skin has been cleansed with a good quality cold cream. Wipe off the excess and then begin work with soap and brush. Pay particular attention to the creases where dust and blackheads gather at the chin and sides of the nose, but work generally in an outward, semi-rotary motion. Rinse in clear water and then dry by patting, never coarse rubbing.

Whatever you do, don't forget your neck. Give it the same brush treatment, the same cleansing, the

Hair IS Coming Down at the Back



Countess Haugwitz-Reventlow favours this style—wings taken off the side of the face and an out-turned roll curl at the back.



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When soup has been over-salted, add a peeled and halved potato. This will absorb the surplus salt.

THESE hair styles have a special significance at a time when hairdressers are being asked whether the Edwardian style is a permanency. Mayfair experts now believe that even the return of the 'picture' dress will not see the Edwardian coiffure universally adopted.

A. B. C.



The bias-wave cut (above) which softens short back hair—contours—the side hair taken up and off face. Coiffure by Emile, who holds the royal warrant for Queen Elizabeth's hair-dressing.

On the left is a hair-down-the-back style, which will be a future vogue. The side hair is taken up and twined over the head. Back hair curled in Victorian ringlets, with short curls on brow-top.

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HOT-WATER-BOTTLE COVERS have achieved a new importance in Paris, where wool Polar bear cub and fluffy chicken are among the latest designs.

DOLLS seem to have followed fashion. The Victorian doll, thirty inches in height, complete with quail silk dress, many petticoats and parasol, may take the honours in popularity; while the Princess Elizabeth doll has a fresh party frock in palest pink.

CHANGING STYLE

CHANGE over a hair-style after a shampoo rather than between shampoos, to avoid bruised sensation to scalp.

Sleeping in pinned-up hair will not harm the hair, but insert pins pointed slightly outward to avoid pricking scalp.

When encouraging natural wave, study your parting. Hair nearly always grows at an oblique angle. Start the wave at an angle at which hair starts out from parting. If it falls slightly forward, the first wave should be coaxed to come towards brow, then taken back.

If hair falls back from parting, take first wave back, then bring forward on to brow. Similarly with short curls on top of head.

If hair refuses to respond to pin-control use combs, but place them before curling ends of hair over, so that they are not too obvious.

When taking up the hair merely for an evening or special occasion, use combs to which are attached wired velvet bows in black, or in ribbon to match your gown.

Side hair and the hair which tops the brow, however, will continue to 'take up.' There will be more soft, fan-like forehead fringes, but not heavy ones.

Hair falling softly in the nape of the neck marks a complete reversal of the page-boy era, which has lasted because it stayed so tidily sleek.

Soft broken-up curls, even ringlets, will emphasise many feminine heads before the New Year.

The ringlets version has been adopted by the Duchess of Kent, though she is one of the few who can look charming with an Edwardian coiffure and often adopts it.

The tidest way to dispose of long side-pieces which have now gone upward is to roll and twine them on top of the head.

Back hair in Victorian type two-inch long ringlets—centre front hair in short curls. This is quite simple to comb and arrange once "set."

Nail Biting In Children

How To Cure It:

NAIL biting is an unpleasant habit which in time becomes a menace to health.

Fingers are frequently dirty, and pieces of nails, if swallowed, are liable to irritate the stomach and bowels. Persistent biting may lead to breaks in the skin, with the entry of germs and a septic anger.

Nail-biters are frequently shunned by other children. A quite usual outcome of this is an inferiority complex with marked nervousness, mainly twitchings, dreams and nightmares.

Do not delay corrective measures. Keep the nails short and give the child a manicure set with directions on using it. Stimulate a wish to have well-kept nails like its parents.

Improve the general health by increased outdoor exercise and adequate nourishing food and encourage congenial companions who are not nail biters.

Children should wear washable gloves in bed, while during the day their nails should be painted with something unpleasant, yet harmless, such as aloes.

Cures are often hastened by having a dentist fit metal caps to the back teeth to prevent the front ones closing tightly. These should not be worn longer than necessary, otherwise the teeth will decay.

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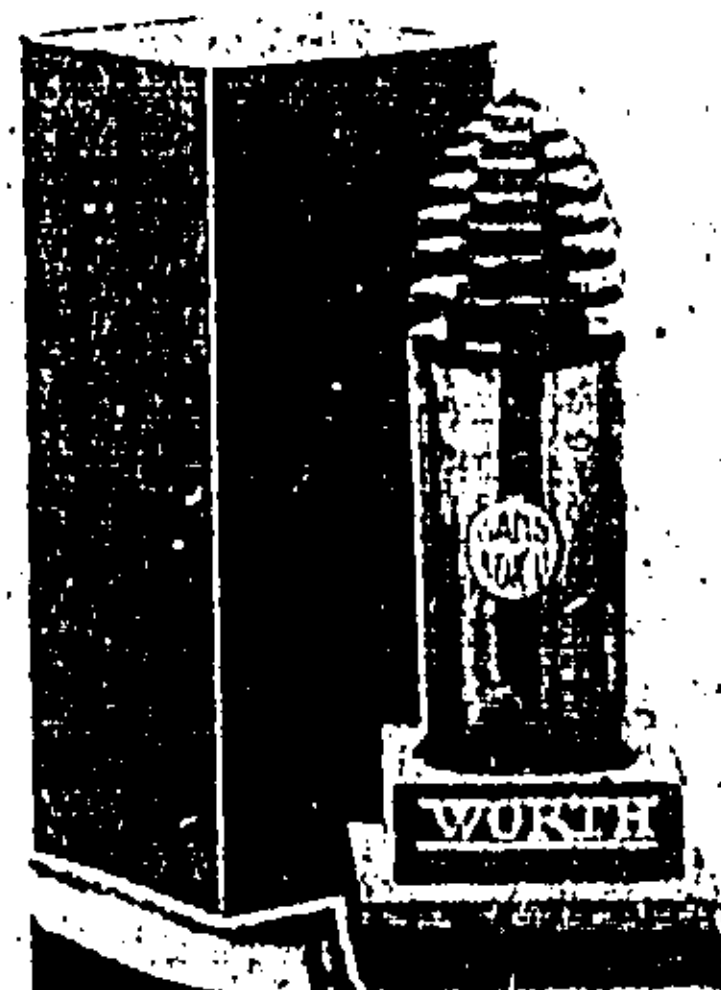
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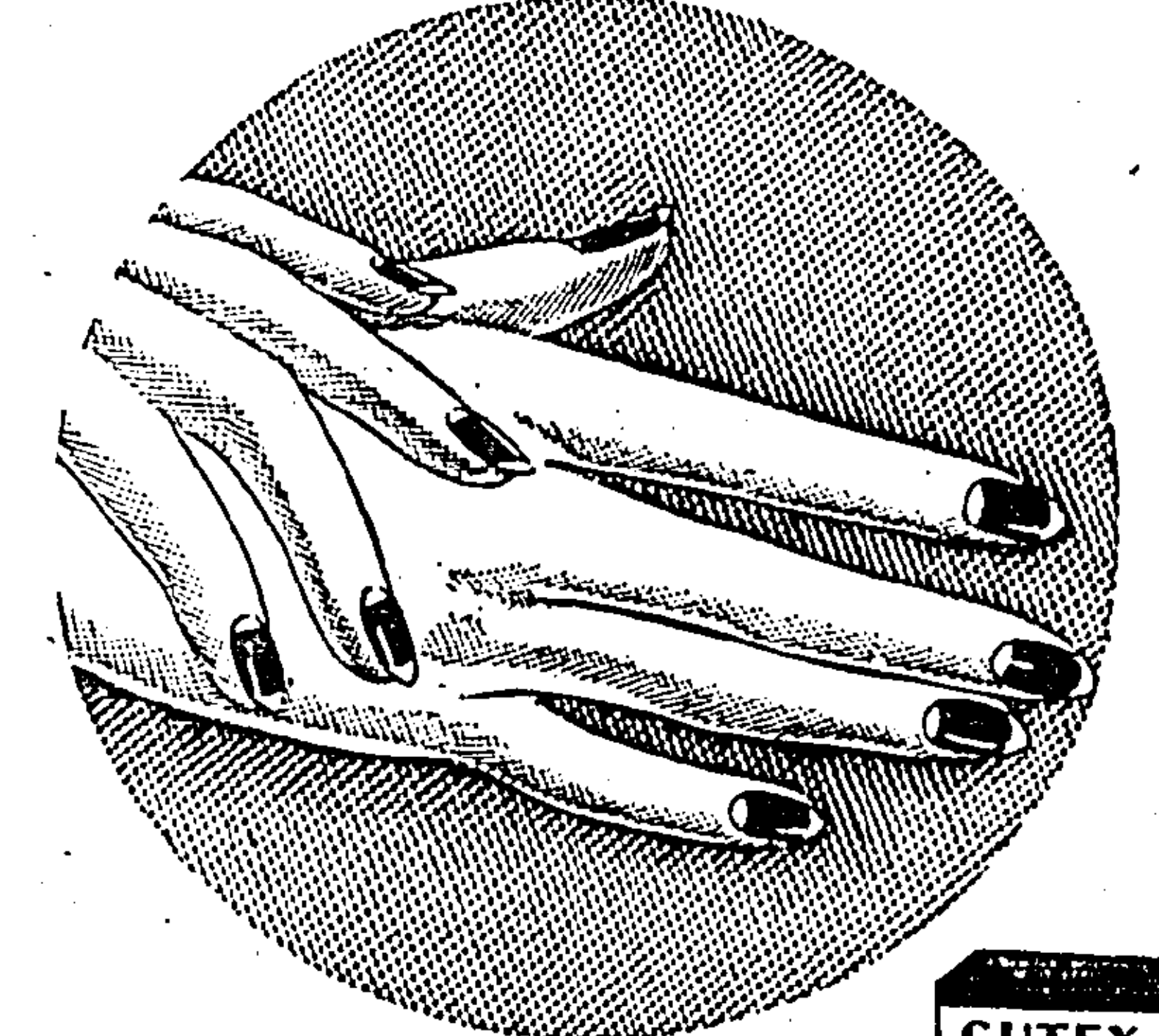
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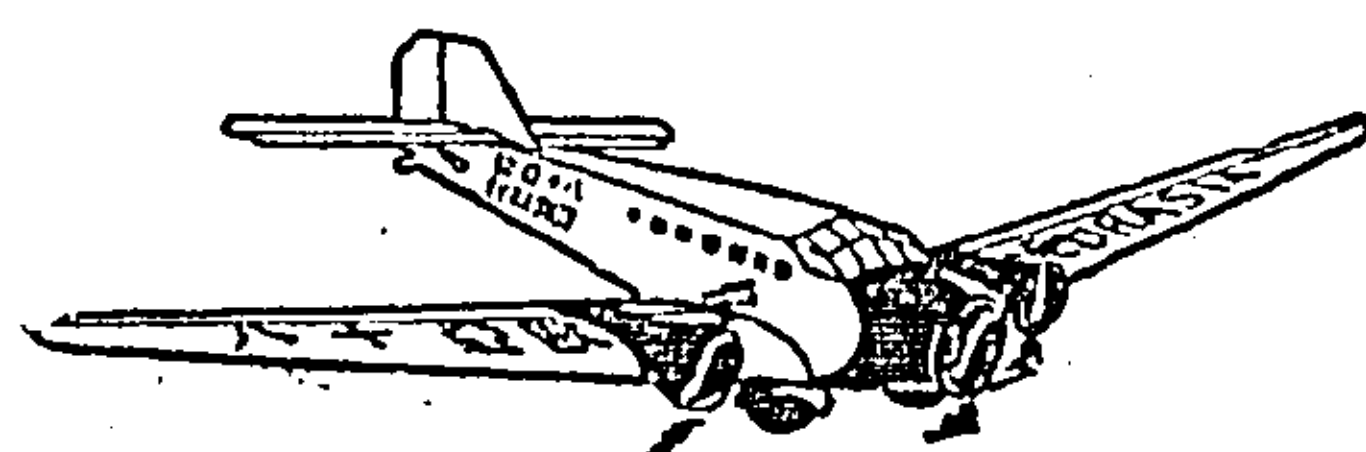


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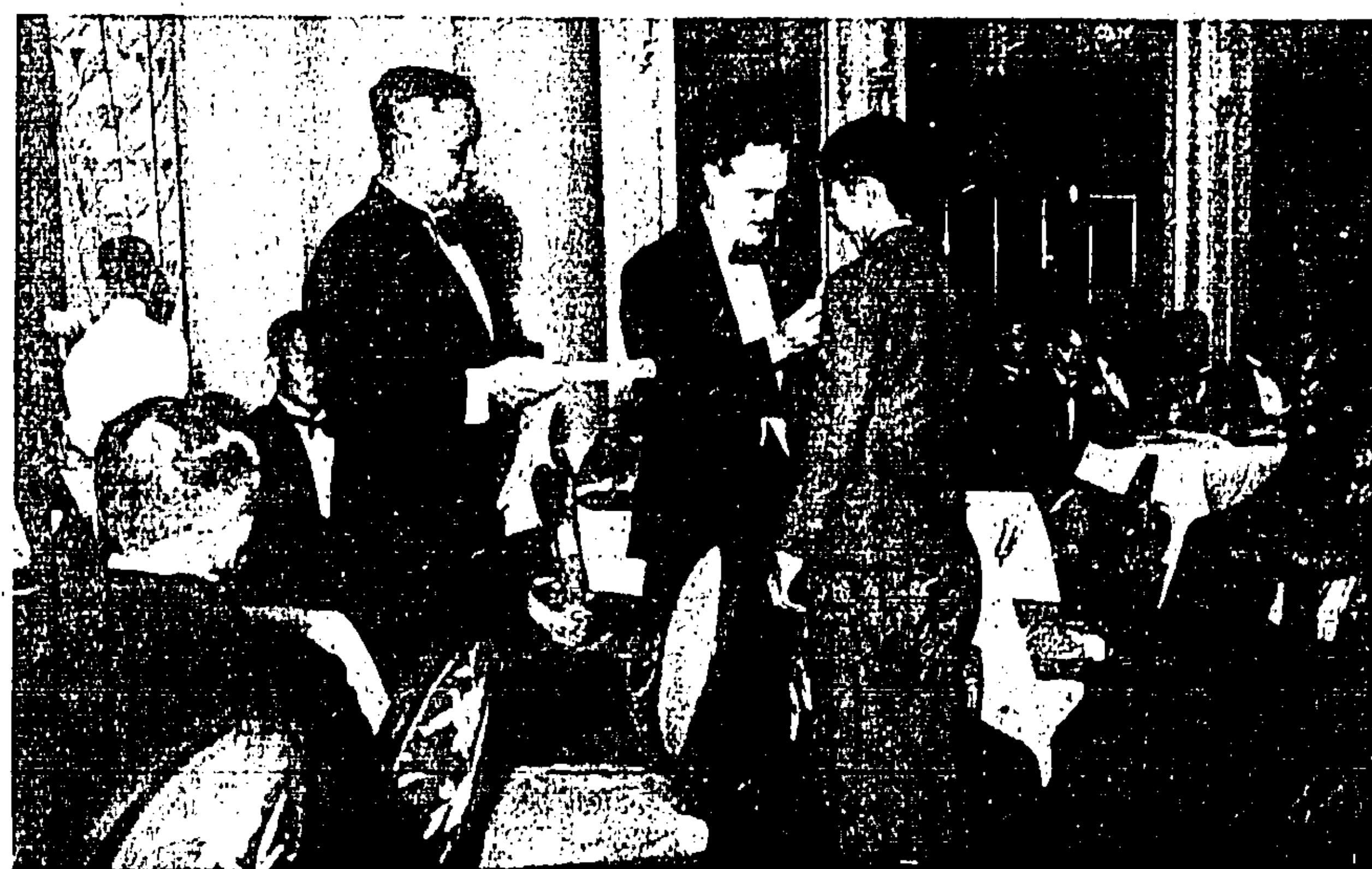
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A confidential Ukrainian bureau has been opened in Berlin by Dr. Nikola Suschko, believed to be a former officer of the Ukrainian army, and all "state-less Ukrainians" have been asked to register.

The Warsaw correspondent of the "Sunday Times" declares that Polish political circles are astonished at the haste of the Nazi authorities in organising 40,000 Ukrainians, resident in Germany.

Dr. Rosenberg, Hitler's chief lieutenant for Ukrainian affairs, has created a special Ukrainian department to co-operate with the bureau in Germany for the organisation of military training in special schools.

One of these, for officers, has already been opened in Danzig. Poland has sent a sharp protest to Prague against anti-Polish Ukrainian propaganda in Czechoslovakia.—Reuter.

Criticism Of Suez Canal Levies

Genoa, Dec. 18. Italian and German shipping interests are drafting a memorandum to submit to their respective business circles here.

The memorandum will give figures of Italian and German traffic in the Suez Canal, will set forth technical facts, and will criticise the high canal dues.

Italian and German shipping circles recently considered the possibility of taking the Cape route to the East, but it was decided that this was only practicable for ships travelling to and from Australia.—Reuter.

Pope Pius Shows Renewed Vigour

Vatican City, Dec. 18. The Pope, who to-day inaugurated the third year of the Pontifical Academy of Science, was more vigorous than usual.

He spoke for three-quarters of an hour on the theme of Christmas and the marvels of eternal science.—Reuter.

LATE NEWS

1,500,000 TONS OF WARSHIPS LAID DOWN

LONDON, Dec. 18. AN IMPOSING LIST of British warships under construction is given in the new edition of "Jane's Fighting Ships," just issued.

They include five battleships and three aircraft carriers, 18 cruisers, 32 destroyers, and 15 submarines.

No official information is available about the battleships, Lion and Temeraire, which are expected to be laid down about March next year, but it is believed that they will be armed with sixteen-inch guns.

The five battleships now under construction are unofficially stated to have ten 14-in guns. It is officially reported that their design will include enhanced defence against aircraft attack.

The French naval building programme includes four battleships each with eight 15-in guns, two aircraft carriers, three cruisers, 32 destroyers, four torpedo boats and 24 submarines.

Germany's new capital ship construction is listed as three battleships, each with eight 15-in guns. It is believed a fourth is projected.

Italy is building four battleships, twelve cruisers, ten destroyers, ten torpedo boats and at least thirty submarines.

With regard to Japan it is stated that four battleships are projected, two of which are reported to have

Seven Gunboats Steam Down Yangtse

Hankow, Dec. 18. Five British and American gunboats including H.M.S. Mammot left here at 6 o'clock this morning. They will be joined at Kiukiang by H.M.S. Cockatrice and the American gunboat Monocacy en route to Shanghai.

Japanese warships are escorting the foreign warships from Hankow to Shanghai.—Domei.

been laid down this year. They are believed to be over 40,000 tons and armed with eight or nine 16-in. guns. "Jane's" states that independent evidence goes far to support Japanese reports that the Soviet fleet based at Vladivostok includes 70 submarines, 50 motor torpedo boats. Three Soviet battleships of 35,000 tons are projected. They will be armed with nine 16-in. guns.—Reuter.

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Spain May Have Xmas Armistice

Paris, Dec. 18. Messages from Burgos report that rumours are circulating in Nationalist Spain that moves are being considered abroad for a month's armistice in Spain over Christmas.

It is alleged that the Spanish Committee for Civil Peace, in conjunction with the French and British committees are considering the possibility of asking the Pope, and the countries represented at the Lima Conference to suggest an armistice, to the rival forces.

It is declared in Burgos, that General Franco has not changed his standpoint, namely, no armistice, and no compromise.

It is further stated that if the Pope or the South American countries brought such a proposal, they would receive a courteous, but firm refusal.—Reuter.

ARCHBISHOP INTERCEDES

Paris, Dec. 18. Political circles here connect the visit paid on Saturday morning by Cardinal Verdier, Archbishop of Paris, to Foreign Minister Georges Bonnet, with the effort undertaken by the various French war veterans' associations to assure an armistice between the warring parties in Spain over Christmas.

It is pointed out that following the any decision being made—Trans-Interview between the Cardinal and Ocean.

Foreign Investors In S. America

New York, Dec. 18.

The Pan-American Conference to-day postponed for five years a decision on a resolution urging the adoption of the principle that foreign investors in Latin America should not be entitled to diplomatic protection, except in cases where justice is denied them by the local courts, according to the Lima correspondent of the New York Times.

It is stated that the conference recommended the question to a committee of experts on the codification of international law for a further study, ordering the committee to report to the ninth conference in five years time.—Reuter.

M. Bonnet, the latter had a prolonged conversation with Premier Edouard Daladier.—Trans-Ocean.

AMERICAS TO MEDIATE?

Lima, Dec. 18.

The Cuban delegates to the Pan-American Conference to-day tabled a resolution demanding that the American States should jointly undertake to mediate in Spain, and should, for this purpose, appoint a committee of delegates empowered to propose an armistice to both warring parties until such time as peace on a satisfactory basis.

The sitting was adjourned without the decision being made.—Trans-Interview between the Cardinal and Ocean.

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